

David Emanuel Academy High School
Summer Reading 2020-2021
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Summer reading time is here! Students are offered choices of books to read again this year; however, I have limited choices for book selection.

Students should read **ONE classic book (fiction)** and **ONE biography (non-fiction)**. (The choices are on the next page!). **AND complete the following Reading Activities!**

Reading Activities

►Classic Book Work:

After reading your selected classic book, write an essay in which you address these items:

Setting/place and time

Characters and descriptions

Main conflicts of plot and how these were resolved

Theme

Essay length 200 or more words*

Email or share google doc with me by August 1st: mwilliamson@deaeagles.com.

I will review and score based on the following checklist:

Essay Checklist:

*Correct Punctuation + Capitalization

*Correct word usage + vocabulary level (Remember, we write with a higher vocabulary level than we speak.)

*Correct spelling!

* Sentence structure (no incomplete sentences/fragments)

Points included:

- Setting - time, place
- Characters/descriptions
- Main conflicts/resolutions
- Theme

►Biography Book Work:

☺ Prepare a **two minute book talk** to share with the class. Discuss the biography/autobiography of the person selected and be sure to include interesting information. Tell how this person's life/biography has influenced you. What have you learned from reading this book?

Note cards may be used as memory prompts, but do not read them.

☺ Create some type of visual to enhance your book talk.

Book talks will be scheduled for the first two days of class when we return to school.

👉 Students will be given **online tests** over the summer reading books during the first week of school (following the book talks)...classics + biographies.

Questions? Email me! mwilliamson@deaeagles.com

One last thought: Reading is an excellent way to "grow the mind". You have been provided a list of great books, so once you have completed the summer reading requirements, feel free to read more of these books! Enjoy!

♥ **Happy summer reading!!**

(AR points will begin when we resume classes. **)

BOOK CHOICES

Classic Novel Choices

Seniors and Juniors:

Frankenstein or The Modern Prometheus - by Mary Shelley - This is the first novel considered to be a tale of horror. The author tells about the life of Dr. Victor Frankenstein, the main character.

Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen - This is a romantic novel of manners written by Austen in 1813. The story follows the protagonist, Elizabeth Bennet, who learns about the repercussions of hasty judgements and comes to appreciate the difference between superficial goodness and actual goodness.

1984 by George Orwell - This is a dystopian novel written a few years after the end of World War II. A dystopian novel is about an imaginary society that is undesirable or frightening. The author created this story in 1948, so he was writing about a futuristic society.

Sophomores and Freshmen:

A Wrinkle In Time by Madeleine L'Engle - The first book in L'Engle's TIME Quintet. This novel follows the Murry's and Calvin O'Keefe as they face conflicts of love, divinity, and goodness.

Little Women by Louisa May Alcott - Follow the March sisters, Meg, Jo, Beth, and Amy and their lives in a quiet Massachusetts town during the time of the American Civil War.

Lord of the Flies by William Golding - In this novel, British school boys are stranded on a tropical island as a result of a plane crash. The author delves into the truths about human nature.

Biography Choices for ALL Students

I Am Malala by Malala Yousafzai - The story of the school girl who stood up for education and was then shot by the Taliban.

Unbroken: A WWII Story of Survival of Louis Zamperini by Laura Hillenbrand - This is an account of an Olympic runner who served in the military and survived a plane crash only to become a prisoner of war.

Florence Nightingale: A Life Inspired by Wyatt North and Lynn M. Hamilton - This biography tells of a woman who improved hospitals and saved many lives. She was courageous and unstoppable. Thinking of a nursing career? This book is for you!

Biography Choices for ALL Students (continued)

John Wooden: A Lifetime of Observations and Reflections On and Off the Court by John Wooden - An autobiography of a former UCLA basketball coach which shares good advice in words of wisdom, quotations, and good examples.

Courage to Soar: A Body In Motion, A Life in Balance by Simone Biles - An autobiography from a four-time Olympic gold-winning and record-setting American gymnast written by Biles to share about her faith, family, passion and perseverance.

Ten Days a Madwoman: The Daring Life and Turbulent Times of the Original Girl Reporter: Nellie Bly by Deborah Noyes - This true story tells of how a truly dedicated journalist admitted herself to an asylum to write a groundbreaking expose'. Thinking of a career in journalism? You may want to read this book!

The Hiding Place by Corrie Ten Boom - The triumphant true story of Corrie Ten Boom. She and her family helped Jews escape the Nazis from the Holocaust during World War II. Inspiring autobiography!

Night by Elie Wiesel - An autobiography which tells of Elie's experience with his father in the Nazi German concentration camps at Auschwitz and Buchenwald in 1944-1945. Wiesel was a teenager during this difficult time of his life.

Escape from Camp 14:

One Man's Remarkable Odyssey from North Korea to Freedom in the West

By Blaine Harden - Camp 14 is a labor camp in North Korea for political prisoners and descendants of alleged criminals. The official name is Kwan-li-so. This book is based on interviews of journalist Blaine Harden with Shin, the one who made the famous escape.

First Man: The Life of Neil A. Armstrong by James R. Hansen - This book is the official biography of Neil Armstrong, the astronaut who became the first man to walk on the Moon, on July 20, 1969. Interested in a career involving mysteries beyond Earth? This is a good read for you!!

Vincent and Theo: The Van Gogh Brothers by Deborah Heiligman - The reader doesn't have to be an art lover to enjoy the biography of these two brothers. They were very close and shared many challenges in life together. Many twists in the book's plot almost makes it read like a fiction tale; however, this is a true story which Heiligman was able to provide based on authentic letters.

Amelia Lost - The Life and Disappearance of Amelia Earhart by Candace Fleming - The author weaves the life story of Earhart and the mystery of her disappearance throughout the book to help the reader become more acquainted with the true-to-life person, Amelia Earhart. . Written at an intermediate level, this book is definitely for teens and adults who may be daredevils, women in aviation or planning careers in aviation, or just fans of Amelia Earhart.