

## **11th Grade LCA's Summer Reading Requirement**

At times literature books contain content that parents will want to discuss with their child and help guide their Christian worldview in response to their reading. The following books are no exception, and some may contain language students shouldn't repeat, characters students shouldn't aim to model, or content that students shouldn't emulate. Use these instances as opportunities to guide students in being in the world, but not of the world. Guide their Christlike response in the face of adversity. Our goal is to partner with parents; therefore, we support your judgment on your child's maturity level regarding a book's content. That being said, these books have been vetted by the teacher and chosen intentionally.

In the first weeks of school students will have a comprehension quiz and writing assignments regarding the summer reading books. Please encourage them to read to set them up for success in the next school year, as well as their future.

### **Purpose**

The works of literature on the summer reading lists have been carefully selected to help prepare students for subject matter they will encounter in their history and literature courses in the fall. Summer reading requires independent reading outside of school, provides students with a shared experience that can serve as a reference point for discussion and writing in the coming school year, and reinforces Lighthouse Christian Academy's mission to promote academic excellence.

### **Reading Materials**

Each reading list has been designed to coincide with the history and literature curriculum of the indicated grade level and to avoid overlap with literature that students may be assigned during the school year or may have encountered in previous school years.

Incoming students in grades 9 through 12 will be required to read two books during the summer: one book assigned by the faculty and one book of their choice from the reading list below. This system allows students both structure and flexibility. Students should read unabridged, unedited editions.

## **Assessment/Grading**

Students will be accountable for their summer reading according to teachers' instructions. Assessments for summer reading may include written assignments and/or oral presentations. You are required to have finished reading before the first day of classes, but you are not required to write anything UNTIL the first week of class, which is when we will discuss your WORKS READ and your assignments. The writing assignments will be due about three weeks after school begins.

All students are required to read **One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich** by **Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn**

In addition, all students must read one of the following, which they have NOT previously read:

F Scott Fitzgerald -- The Great Gatsby

Ray Bradbury -- The Martian Chronicles

Benjamin Franklin -- Autobiography

Booker T. Washington -- Up from Slavery

Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass

Harriet Beecher Stowe -- Uncle Tom's Cabin

Margaret Mitchell -- Gone with the Wind

Chuck Colson -- Born Again

J I Packer -- Knowing God

Mark Twain -- The Prince and the Pauper

Gene Stratton Porter -- Girl of the Limberlost *OR* Keeper of the Bees

Michael Crichton -- Andromeda Strain

Stephen E. Ambrose -- Undaunted Courage: The Pioneering First Mission to Explore America's Wild Frontier

Lew Wallace -- Ben Hur

McCullough -- John Adams Biography

Joseph Heller -- Catch-22

Malcolm Gladwell -- David and Goliath