

## CYPRESS BAY HIGH SCHOOL'S SUMMER READING LIST 2010

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The following is a list of books provided for your summer reading pursuits; strongly **recommended reading for A.P. classes in 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grades are indicated.** Please adhere to these requests.

The remaining books represent classic and contemporary literature, and include titles recommended by the American Library Association and Young Adult Literature committees and websites. The books have been categorized as Easy Reading, Comfortable Reading, Challenging Reading and More Difficult Reading.

### **Easy Reading**

*Stargirl* – Spinelli, Jerry  
*Romiette and Julio* – Draper, Sharon  
*The Thief Lord* – Funke, Cornelia  
*After the First Death* – Cormier, Robert

### **Comfortable Reading**

*Tuesdays with Morrie* – Albom, Mitch  
*How the Garcia Girls Lost Their Accents* – Alvarez, Julia  
*A Tree Grows in Brooklyn* – Smith, Betty  
*Forrest Gump* – Groom, Winston  
*The Wonderful World of Oz* – Baum, Frank  
*The Martian Chronicles* – Bradbury, Ray  
*Watership Down* – Adams, Richard  
*The Joy Luck Club* – Tan, Amy  
*Fast Food Nation* – Schlosser, Eric (*Mature Content*)  
*Lay That Trumpet in Our Hands* – McCarthy, Susan Carol  
*Star Girl* – Spinelli, Jerry  
*The Art of Racing in the Rain* – Stein, Garth

### **Challenging Reading**

*The Bell Jar* – Plath, Sylvia (*Mature Content*)  
*A Boy's Life* – McCammon, Robert R.  
*The Kite Runner* – Hosseini, Khaled (*Mature Content*)  
*The Book Thief* – Zusak, Markus  
*Tarzan of the Apes* – Burroughs, Edgar Rice  
*The Handmaid's Tale* – Atwood, Margaret  
*A Passage to India* – Forester, E.M.  
*Wicked* – Maguire, Gregory (*Mature Content*)  
*Left to Tell* – Illibagiza, Immaculee  
*The Secret Lives of Bees* – Facklam, Margery  
*The Chosen* – Potok, Chaim  
*Twelve Angry Men* – Rose, Reginald  
*A Tale of Two Cities* – Dickens, Charles  
*It's Not About the Bike* – Armstrong, Lance (*Mature Content*)  
*Breathing Underwater* – Flinn, Alex  
*Hiroshima* – Hersey, John  
*The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail* – Lawrence, Jerome  
*Krik? Krak!* – Danticat, Edwidge  
*Witness* – Hesse, Karen  
*The Grass Dancer* – Power, Susan  
*The Lovely Bones* – Sebald, Alice (*Mature Content*)

### **More Difficult Reading**

*In Cold Blood* – Capote, Truman (*Mature Content*)  
*Dune* – Herbert, Frank  
*Go Tell it on the Mountain* – Baldwin, James  
*The Merchant of Venice* – Shakespeare, William  
*The Taming of the Shrew* – Shakespeare, William  
*Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil* – Berendt, John (*Mature Content*)  
*The Optimist's Daughter* – Welty, Eudora  
*The Metamorphosis* – Kafka  
*Beach Music* – Conroy, Pat  
*Inherit the Wind* – Lawrence, Jerome  
*Antigone* – Sophocles  
*The Physics of Star Trek* – Krauss, Lawrence  
*Memoirs of a Geisha* – Golden, Arthur  
*The Historian* – Kostora, Elizabeth  
*The Shadow of the Wind* – Riz Zafon, Carlos  
*The Help* – Stockett, Kathryn (*Mature Content*)  
*Watchmen* – Moore, Alan (*Mature Content*)  
*The Ice Queen* – Hoffman, Alice (*Mature Content*)  
*The Color Purple* – Walker, Alice (*Mature Content*)

### **A.P. Classes (entering 11<sup>th</sup> grade)**

#### **Strongly Recommended**

*Things Fall Apart* – Achebe, Chinua  
*The Color of Water* – McBride, James  
*The Chosen* – Potok, Chiam

### **A.P. Classes (entering 12<sup>th</sup> grade)**

#### **Strongly Recommended**

*Billy Budd* – Melville, Herman  
*Light in August* – Faulkner, William  
*The Stranger* – Camus, Albert

