

Souderton Area High School Pre-Course Reading List 2017-2018

Academic English 9

- *Anthem* by Ayn Rand

Honors 9 (both required)

- *The Old Man and the Sea* by Ernest Hemingway
- *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett

Academic English 10

- *And Then There Were None* by Agatha Christie **or** *The Time Machine* by H.G. Wells

Honors 10 (both required)

- *The Declaration* by Gemma Malley
- *Emma* by Jane Austen **or** *The Razor's Edge* by Somerset Maugham

Journalism – Please note your year and position in journalism when choosing which summer reading book to read.

- **1st Year Staff:** *Edward R. Murrow and the Birth of Broadcast Journalism* by Bob Edwards
- **2nd Year Staff:** *Heat and Light: Advice for the Next Generation of Journalists* by Mike Wallace and Beth Knobel
- **1st Year Editors AND 3rd Year Staff:** *The New New Journalism: Conversations with America's Best Nonfiction Writers on their Craft* by Robert S. Boynton
- **2nd Year Editors:** *The Overachievers: The Secret Lives of Driven Kids* by Alexandra Robbins
- **3rd Year Editors:** *Page One: Inside The New York Times and the Future of Journalism* edited by David Folkenflik

Honors English 11/12 (both required)

- *The Odyssey* by Homer
- *Cry the Beloved Country* by Alan Paton

Quarter Courses English 11 & 12

Sociology and Psychology in Literature: *Marching for Freedom* by Elizabeth Partridge

Pandora's Legacy: *Frankenstein* by Mary Shelley

Mythological Men and Women: *Anansi Boys* by Neil Gaiman

War Stories—Perception or Reality?: *Hiroshima* by John Hersey

Great Books—Coming of Age: *The Chosen* by Chaim Potok

Money, Power, and Social Justice: *Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins

Humor in Literature: *Paddy Clark Ha Ha Ha* by Roddy Doyle **or** *The Princess Bride* by William Goldman