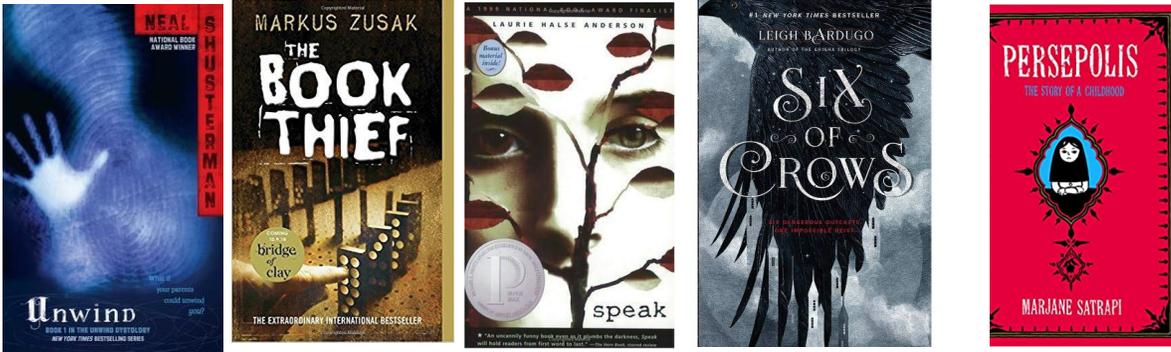


9th Grade Summer Reading List and Activities

SY 2021-2022

Hafa Adai! All incoming freshmen are required to choose one of the following books, read it over the course of the summer, and complete two of the activities by the first day of school.

1. Choose one of the following books to read this summer.



Unwind by Neal Shusterman

The Book Thief by Markus Zusak

Speak by Laurie Anderson

Six of Crows by Leigh Bardugo

Persepolis: The Story of a Childhood by Marjane Satrapi

2. Purchase the book.

Books can be ordered online (Amazon) or purchased at any bookstore. Many have digital copies available for purchase and some might have a free PDF version if you look for it. If the book of your choice is not available, you can usually order it directly from the bookstore. Please be aware that it might take a few weeks for the book to arrive so order as soon as possible. You can also borrow most of these books from the Public Library.

3. Read the book!

Here are some tips for reading...

- Keep an open mind! It's hard to do something that you already decided you hate so give the book a chance!
- Visualize the book as you read it! Basically, turn the book into a movie that is playing in your head. What do the characters look like? What do they sound like? Make it real.
- Make a reasonable timeline for completing your book and stick to it
- Take breaks if you need to. (It's hard to read if you are sleepy, hungry, bored, or need the bathroom!)
- Look up words you don't understand.
- Take notes if you need to. Write them down on paper, in a notebook, or on post-it notes.

4. Complete any two of the following projects.

The project is due on the first day of classes. (Not on Orientation Day!)

Option A. Retell an eventful event from your life from another person's point of view. Include events, thoughts, feelings, and dialogue. This should be about one page typed, double spaced.

Option B. Create a mini-comic book relating an eventful chapter of the book. Stick to the story and be creative! Be sure to give your comic an illustrated cover and use color appropriately. ***Do not choose this option if you read Persepolis.***

Option C. Write a detailed diary that one of the story's main characters might have kept before, during, or after the book's events. Remember that the character's thoughts and feelings are very important in a diary. Make references to events in the story and what the character is going through as the story progresses.