

Select three books from this list — one asterisked book, and two others (with or without an asterisk).

***\*As I Lay Dying, William Faulkner***

A story revealed by kith and kin following a woman's death.

***\*Let the Great World Spin, Colum McCann***

Lives of New Yorkers changed by a single day — but not *that* single day.

***\*Wilderness Warrior:***

***Theodore Roosevelt and the Crusade for America, Douglas G. Brinkley***

Biography of Roosevelt as naturalist; non-fiction.

***\*Last of His Mind: A Year in the Shadow of Alzheimer's, John Thorndike***

A son's memoir of his journalist father's life and death; non-fiction. (audio book not available).

***The Complete Persepolis, Marjane Satrapi***

Not your typical Islamic culture text. Read the graphic novel *and* watch the film.

***Who Is Mark Twain?, Mark Twain***

Previously unpublished essays and editorials – Mark Twain at his unvarnished best.

***A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier, Ishmael Beah***

Twelve-year-old's first-hand war stories of unspeakable cruelty, death, and hatred.

***A Death in the Family, James Agee***

Autobiographical fiction at its best.

Family, life, and death retold through a child's eyes.

***Wild Nights!: Stories About the Last Days of Poe,  
Dickinson, Twain, and Hemingway, Joyce Carol Oates***

No biography here - incredible literary creativity and talent (audio book not available).

For further summer reading details, consult the "Summer Reading" eBoard.

There are specialized reading requirements for students enrolled in the AP English Literature & Composition class. Course-specific information may be found in the curriculum area of the JBHS website.

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