

# Anne Arundel County Public Schools Bookmark for English 11

## SUMMER READING

Ah, summertime! And the livin' is easy, especially if you have some good books to help pass the time. Mix and match, pick and choose from the following lists of titles, award winners, authors, web sites, and themes to design your own summer reading program. You'll not only enjoy great summer reading but also get a head start on next year's English class.



**Are you the type of reader who likes to have someone suggest specific books for you to read?** The titles below should get your summer reading off to a good start.

**All My Sons** by Arthur Miller

Joe Keller becomes rich as a manufacturer of substandard war materials in a conflict that takes one of his sons and imprisons a colleague.

**Death Be Not Proud** by John Gunther

John Gunther's memoir tells the story of his son – an optimistic, brilliant young man who must cope with his own fatal brain tumor.

**Invisible Man** by Ralph Ellison

During his journey through an intolerant 1950's American society, an anonymous young African-American discovers that he and many others are invisible.

**The Little Foxes** by Lillian Hellman

Members of the greedy and treacherous Hubbard family compete with each other for control of the mill that will bring them riches in the post-Civil War South.

**Shattering Glass** by Gail Giles

Popularity, ambition, wealth, and control. High school boys vie to be alpha male. How far would you go?

**Stargirl** by Jerry Spinelli

Stargirl is an oddball who becomes popular. When the "in-crowd" turns on her, will she listen to the advice of her hottie to keep things on the DL?

**Sailing Around the Room** by Billy Collins

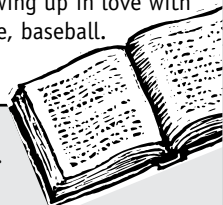
Beethoven's "Famous Barking Dog Solo" will turn your notion of poetry on its head. From sublime to downright funny, this U.S. Poet Laureate offers something for everyone.

**Song of the Buffalo Boy** by Sherry Garland

Follow the story of 17-year-old Loi caught between her Vietnamese heritage and the dream of an American father she has never seen.

**Wait Until Next Year** by Doris Kearns Goodwin

Set in the suburbs of New York in the 1950s, this touching and gentle memoir tells of Goodwin's growing up in love with her family and the great American pastime, baseball.



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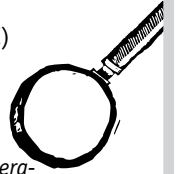


**Do you like consulting the experts?** Ask your public librarian or library media specialist for help in locating the following lists of exemplary or award-winning books.

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| Black-Eyed Susan Award                          | National Book Award |
| ALA's Guide to Best Reading                     | Edgar Award         |
| Books for the College Bound                     | Pulitzer Prize      |
| Coretta Scott King Award                        | Nebula Award        |
| Newbery Award                                   | YALSA               |
| National Council for Teachers of English (NCTE) |                     |
| Books for You                                   |                     |

**Maybe you prefer discovering new authors on your own.** If so, check out books by the authors listed below. You'll find writers of young adult literature, nonfiction, fantasy, and mystery from which to choose.

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| Ray Bradbury    | Donald Gallo       | Ursula K. LeGuin  |
| Terry Brooks    | John Grisham       | Harry Mazer       |
| Sandra Cisneros | Judith Guest       | Robin McKinley    |
| Susan Cooper    | Jonathan Kellerman | Pat Mora          |
| Robert Cormier  | Dean Koontz        | Joyce Carol Oates |
| Sarah Dessen    | Madeleine L'Engle  | Margaret Truman   |
| Carl Deuker     | Jodi Picoult       | Yoshiko Uchida    |
| Pete Hautman    | Allan Stratton     | Rebecca Wells     |



**You can visit the following web sites for a variety of recommended book lists.**

- <http://mdedmedia.org/bes0405.html>
- [www.ala.org/yalso/booklists/bbya](http://www.ala.org/yalso/booklists/bbya)
- <http://poetryoutloud.org/students/find.html>
- <http://www.waterborolib.org/bklisty.htm>
- <http://loc.gov/poetry/180>
- <http://bpl.org/teens/booklist/index.htm>
- <http://www.teenreads.com>
- <http://themysteryreader.com>
- <http://web.aacpl.lib.md.us/srp/default.htm>

**Suppose you're someone who reads just about any type of book—fiction, nonfiction, biography, mystery, science fiction—because you like to think about themes or ideas.** Look over the following list of universal themes or ideas. As you read your summer selections, decide what each book says about a specific theme or idea.



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| Love & Romance       | Sports & Competition |
| Politics & Power     | Friendship & Loyalty |
| Conflict & War       | Future Worlds        |
| Man & Nature         | Families in Crisis   |
| Cultural Identity    | Overcoming Obstacles |
| Maturing             | Adventure            |
| Science & Technology | Family Relationships |
| The American Dream   |                      |

**Keep a record of your favorites in the space below:**

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