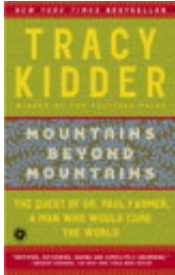


Upper School 2009 Summer Reading Requirements

All EA Summer Read

Summer is a wonderful time to read for pleasure and to experience the world through books. This summer you will have the option of choosing between two books. Hopefully, you will find the time to enjoy both!

Non-Fiction: ***Mountains Beyond Mountains: Healing the World: The Quest of***



Dr. Paul Farmer. At the center of Tracy Kidder’s exciting moral adventure is Dr. Paul Farmer, a Harvard-trained physician who decided to take his expertise and kindness “on the road.” In his quest to cure the world, Farmer has battled AIDS and other infectious diseases in Haiti, Cuba, Russia and Peru. Through the work of his public charity Partners in Health, Farmer demonstrates how one man can indeed make a difference. At the heart of this book is the example of a life based on hope and the truth in the Haitian proverb “*Beyond mountains there are mountains:*” as you solve one problem, another problem presents itself, and so you go on and try to solve that one too.

Fiction: **The Book Thief** by Markus Zusak



It’s just a small story really, about among other things: a girl, some words, an accordionist, some fanatical Germans, a Jewish fist-fighter, and quite a lot of thievery. The author, Markus Zusak, grew up sitting at the kitchen table, glued to his chair, listening to his mother’s tales of her childhood in Nazi Germany. Such tales would later serve as a springboard for his unusual novel about the power of words to both destroy and comfort. A daring work, this novel has a bizarre narrator: Death. Drawn into a tense and dangerous historical era, readers discover how Liesel Meminger first learns to read and is transformed into the “book thief,” stealing books before they can be burned by the Nazis or confiscated from personal libraries. When her family decides to hide a Jew in the basement, Liesel holds out hope to him in the form of her two most precious commodities: words and stories. –Taken from Barnes and Noble review

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All forms will read one book of their choice – no limitations except that they cannot have read the book before.

In addition they must read the following required books and they will be tested on these books with a multiple choice quiz.

VI form must read:

Dubliners by James Joyce.

V form must read:

A selection of short stories from the Kennedy fiction anthology.

You will take a multiple-choice quiz on these stories on the second day of school.

- a. Ernest Hemingway, "A Clean Well-lighted Place"
- b. Nathaniel Hawthorne, "Young Goodman Brown"
- c. William Faulkner, "A Rose for Emily"
- d. Charlotte Perkins Gilman, "The Yellow Wallpaper"
- e. Willa Cather, "Paul's Case"

IV form must read:

The Death of Ivan Ilyich by Leo Tolstoy. This novella is contained in your Kennedy fiction anthology.

III form must read:

The Fencing Master by Arturo Pérez-Reverte. You will take a multiple-choice quiz on this book on the second day of scho

**Summer Reading for
Upper School History, 2009-2010**

- **Rising III Form:** The Judgment of Caesar by Steven Saylor. You will take a quiz on this book in early September.
- **Rising IV Form:** A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier by Ishmael Beah. You will take a quiz on this book in early September.
- **Rising V Form:** Flags of Our Fathers by James Bradley. You will take a quiz on this book in early September.