

# Rising Eleventh Grade Summer 2019 Reading List

## Required Reading for Non-Honors & Honors Students

Students are asked to read two short stories (links below) and as well as *How to Read Literature Like a Professor: A Lively and Entertaining Guide to Reading Between the Lines*, Revised Edition by Thomas C. Foster.

### Two Short Stories:

["The Gift of the Magi" by O. Henry](#)

["The Most Dangerous Game" by Richard Connell](#)

***How to Read Literature Like a Professor: A Lively and Entertaining Guide to Reading Between the Lines, Revised Edition*** by Thomas C. Foster. Foster's book introduces many of the major themes and narrative devices that students will need to master over the course of the year. While students are welcomed to read the book in its entirety, the following chapters are required:

Introduction: How'd He Do That?  
Chapter 1: Every Trip Is a Quest (Except When It's Not)  
Chapter 2: Nice to Eat with You: Acts of Communion  
Chapter 4: Now, Where Have I Seen Her Before?  
Chapter 5: When in Doubt, It's from Shakespeare...  
Chapter 6: ... Or the Bible  
Chapter 8: It's Greek to Me  
Chapter 9: It's More Than Just Rain or Snow  
Chapter 10: Never Stand Next to the Hero  
Chapter 12: Is That a Symbol?  
Chapter 14: Yes, She's a Christ Figure, Too  
Chapter 19: Geography Matters...  
Chapter 20: ... So Does Season  
Chapter 21: Marked for Greatness  
Chapter 24: Don't Read with Your Eyes  
Chapter 27: A Test Case

**Foster Assignment:** Students have questions to answer about this reading that are due the first day of school. [Click here to download the Foster assignment.](#)

## Required Reading for AP Students

AP students should choose **two** of the following novels to read. Not all of these works are written by American authors, but all are frequently cited on the AP Literature exam. Please make sure your choice is approved by your parents as some works contain more sensitive material:

*Wuthering Heights* by Emily Bronte  
*Heart of Darkness* by Joseph Conrad  
*Moby Dick* by Herman Melville

*The Poisonwood Bible* by Barbara Kingsolver

**AP Assignment:** Students should purchase a paperback copy of the novels they choose and annotate as they read. Mrs. Turnbull will collect annotations the first week of school. Annotations should be thorough to demonstrate interaction with the work, but they need not be overly extensive. [For help on annotating a work, download this document.](#)