

## AP Literature Recommended Reading

In preparation for this college level literary analysis course, please consider reading at least one novel or play of literary merit over the summer. Within the first two weeks of school, there will be a written literary analysis assignment which will reference a recently read novel or play. Keep in mind that the AP Literature and Composition exam covers several centuries of literature, as well as variety and diversity. Therefore, the best preparation will incorporate literature that exposes the reader to the depth and breadth of cultural and historical influences.

The following list is not meant to be exhaustive; however, it does incorporate titles that are often specifically referenced in this course. Accessing the following webpage will provide a more extensive list of titles: <https://blog.prepscholar.com/ap-literature-reading-list>

The Roundhouse by Louise Erdrich  
The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald  
Frankenstein by Mary Shelley  
Emma by Jane Austen  
The Rainbow by D.H. Lawrence  
The Awakening by Kate Chopin  
The Bluest Eye by Toni Morrison  
Sula by Toni Morrison  
The Poisonwood Bible by Barbara Kingsolver  
Slaughterhouse Five by Kurt Vonnegut  
The Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini  
A Thousand Splendid Suns by Khaled Hosseini  
All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr  
*"The Importance of Being Earnest"* by Oscar Wilde  
The Picture of Dorian Grey by Oscar Wilde  
*"Much Ado About Nothing"* by William Shakespeare  
*"Othello"* by William Shakespeare  
*"A Streetcar Named Desire"* by Tennessee Williams