

Vincent Massey Collegiate  
Secondary I (Enriched) English  
Summer Reading List 2009

Students are asked to read two books over the summer.

**SUGGESTIONS FOR GIRLS**

<b>Author</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>ISBN</b>
Meyer, Stephenie	<b>New Moon</b>	
Spinelli, Jerry	<b>Stargirl (Mass Market)</b>	978-0440416777

**SUGGESTIONS FOR BOYS**

<b>Author</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>ISBN</b>
Flanagan, John	<b>Rangers Apprentice 01 Ruins Of Gorlan</b>	978-0142406632
Nylund, Eric	<b>Halo: Ghost of Onyx</b>	

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Secondary 2 Enriched English  
Summer Reading List 2009**

- Students entering Secondary 2 in September 2008 should read **TWO** or more of the following novels

Author	Title	Genre
Anonymous	<i>Go Ask Alice</i>	Autobiography
Anderson, M.T.	<i>Feed</i>	Fiction
Brashares, Ann	<i>The Sisterhood of the Travelling Pants</i>	Fiction
Cabot, Meg	<i>The Princess Diaries</i>	Fiction
Collins, Suzanne	<i>The Hunger Game</i>	Fiction
Gaiman, Neil	<i>The Graveyard Book</i>	Fiction
Hinton, S. E.	<i>Rumble Fish</i>	Fiction
Huddon, Mark	<i>The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night</i>	Fiction
Korman, Gordon	<i>Son of the Mob</i>	Fiction
Krakauer, John	<i>Into Thin Air</i>	Non-Fiction
Rhue, Morton	<i>Give the Boy a Gun</i>	Fiction
Runyon, Brent	<i>Surface Tension : A Novel in Four Seasons</i>	Fiction
Twain, Mark	<i>Huckleberry Finn</i>	Fiction
Yen, Adeline Mah	<i>Chinese Cinderella</i>	Autobiography

**Vincent Massey Collegiate  
Secondary III (Regular & Enriched) English  
Summer Reading List 2009**

Over the summer, students will be expected to read at least two books in order to promote good reading practices and to prepare them for some of the themes and issues that will be discussed in class. There will be a test on the common novel within the first week of the return to classes. There will be an assignment based upon the student's secondary reading selection early in the month of September.

Required reading: All students must read Inherit the Wind, by Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee. This play is based upon the famous "Scopes Monkey Trial" of 1925, but is set in the Southern U.S. "not so long ago". It speaks of issues of progress versus tradition, prejudice, value systems, freedom of speech and thought, and the difficulties of going against the "norm". It sets the students up well for a better understanding of books that will be read throughout the school year.

Secondary Reading: All students must read one of the following books before the start of the school year.

The Curious Incident of the Dog In the Night-time	Mark Haddon	Humorous, emotional mystery of an unusual boy accused of murdering a neighbour's dog
Cannery Row	John Steinbeck	The story of a strange collection of characters inhabiting one street on the Monterrey Peninsula during the Depression, with the street itself the lead character
Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass	Frederick Douglass	Non-fiction account of Douglass' life in the age of slavery
Fahrenheit 451	Raymond Bradbury	Tells of a future where books are considered criminal!
The Secret Life of Bees	Sue Monk Kidd	Story of family, love and perceptions in '60's South Carolina
Fried Green Tomatoes At The Whistlestop Café	Fannie Flagg	The tale of relationships, love, and odd characters in a Southern café...and perhaps a murder.

**Vincent Massey Collegiate  
Secondary 4 (Regular & Enriched) English  
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Students entering secondary 4 are required to read any two books from this list over the summer.

One of the books will be quizzed by the teacher in an interview-type presentation in very early September.

The second book will likely be evaluated as an assignment during the same time (as early as the first week of class!).

<b><u>Title</u></b>	<b><u>Author</u></b>	<b><u>Genre</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
<i>The Apprenticeship of Duddy Kravitz</i>	Mordechai Richler	Fiction	The story of an overly ambitious young Montrealer on his unscrupulous quest for fortune.
<i>A Walk in the Woods</i>	Bill Bryson	Humour	A reluctant city slicker embarks on a hike that brings him as much pain as it does enlightenment.
<i>A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier</i>	Ishmael Beah	NF	This gripping memoir recounts his experiences as a boy growing up in Sierra Leone in the 1990s, during one of the most brutal and violent civil wars in recent history.
<i>I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings</i>	Maya Angelou	NF	World famous African American writer Maya Angelou tells of her childhood and overcoming abuse, poverty, and racism.
<i>Bloodsucking Fiends</i>	Christopher Moore	Humour / relationships	A newly turned vampire struggles with her situation. Laughs and chaos ensue (love, too).
<i>Hey Nostradamus!</i>	Douglas Coupland	Fiction / Drama	Using the voices of four characters deeply affected by a high-school shooting, Douglas Coupland explores the lingering aftermath.
<i>Slam</i>	Nick Hornby	Fiction (YA)	Sam, a teenage skater, gets the shock of his life when he finds out his girlfriend is pregnant.
<i>Wicked: The Life and Times of the Wicked Witch of the West</i>	Gregory Maguire	Fantasy	The background story of the Wicked Witch of the West and the Land of Oz.
<i>Ender's Game</i>	Orson Scott Card	Sci-Fi / Adventure	A brilliant child is raised by the military to defend earth from an alien threat.

<i>31 Songs</i>	Nick Hornby	NF	Hornby, an intense lover of music, looks back at how thirty-one songs have impacted on his life (and even provides insightful analysis for each of them).
<i>Life of Pi</i>	Yann Martel	Fiction / Philosophy	After a harrowing shipwreck, a boy finds himself adrift in the Pacific Ocean, trapped on a 26-foot lifeboat with a wounded zebra, a spotted hyena, a seasick orangutan, and a 450-pound Bengal tiger.

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Secondary V (Regular & Enriched)  
Summer Reading List 2009**

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**Fiction**

<b>Author</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Description</b>
Asimov, Isaac	<i>Foundation Series</i>	Sci Fi
Atwood, Margaret	<i>Penelopiad</i>	Myth
Austen, Jane	<i>Emma</i>	Classic
Bronte, Charlotte	<i>Jane Eyre</i>	Classic
Davies, Robertson	<i>A Mixture of Fraillties</i>	Coming of Age
Delillo, Don	<i>Falling Man</i>	9/11
Dickens, Charles	<i>Great Expectations</i>	Classic
Greene, Graham	<i>The Quiet American</i>	War
Hemingway, Ernest	<i>For Whom the Bell Tolls</i>	War
Hesse, Herman	<i>Demien</i>	Coming of Age
Hosseini, Khaled	<i>A Thousand Splendid Suns</i>	Global View
Iweala, Uzodinma	<i>Beasts of No Nation</i>	Global View/War
Kerouac, Jack	<i>On the Road</i>	Coming of Age
MacDonald, A.M.	<i>Fall on Your Knees</i>	Family/Identity
Morrison, Toni	<i>The Bluest Eye</i>	Identity
O'Brien, John	<i>The Assault on Tony's</i>	New Waves
O'Brien, Tim	<i>Going After Cacciato</i>	War
Ondaatje, Michael	<i>Anil's Ghost</i>	Global View
Orwell, George	<i>1984</i>	Sci Fi
Richler, Mordecai	<i>Barney's Version</i>	Relationships
Rushdie, Salman	<i>Midnight's Children</i>	Global View
Sijie, Dai	<i>Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress</i>	Global View
Solzhenitsyn, A.	<i>One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich</i>	Global View
Turgenev, Ivan	<i>Fathers and Sons</i>	Classic
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**Non-Fiction**

Blais, Madeleine	<i>In These Girls Hope is a Muscle</i>	Sports
Blaisdell, Bob (editor)	<i>The Communist Manifesto &amp; Other Revolutionary Writings</i>	Political philosophy
Dryden, Ken	<i>The Game</i>	Sports

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**Non-Fiction**

<b>Author</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Description</b>
Eire, Carlos	<i>Waiting for Snow in Havana</i>	Global view
Gilmour, David	<i>The Film Club</i>	Relationships
Guevara, Che	<i>The Motorcycle Diaries</i>	Personal quest
Krakauer, John	<i>Into the Wild</i>	Personal quest
Kaysen, Susanna	<i>Girl, Interrupted</i>	Coming of Age
Levitin, Daniel	<i>World in Six Songs (Paper)</i>	Music/Science
Levitt, Stephen D.	<i>Freakonomics</i>	Sociology/Economics
O'Brien, Tim	<i>The Things They Carried</i>	War
Satrapi, Mariane	<i>Persepolis: The Story of Childhood</i>	Global view
Tolan, Sandy	<i>The Lemon Tree: An Arab, A Jew and the Heart of the Middle East</i>	Global view
Tzu, Sun	<i>The Art of War</i>	Political philosophy
Ward		
Weisel, Elie	<i>Night</i>	War
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