

La Costa Canyon High School – List of Core Works for English, Grades 9-12
Book adoption year: 2011-2012 (list subject to change)

Grade 9

Survey of Literary Form

All students will read nonfiction from the following:

- “SDUHSD Nonfiction Reader” -- argument/persuasive exposition.

Students will choose one of the following:

- *Black Boy*, Richard Wright
- *Gift from the Sea*, Anne Morrow Lindbergh
- *An American Childhood*, Annie Dillard

All students will read at least one novel from the following list:

- *The Lord of the Flies*, Golding
- *The Bean Trees*, Kingsolver
- *A Separate Peace*, Knowles
- *A Tale of Two Cities*, Dickens
- *All Quiet on the Western Front*, Remarque
- *Of Mice and Men*, Steinbeck
- *Great Expectations*, Dickens
- *The Good Earth*, Buck
- *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time*, Haddon
- *Fahrenheit 451*, Bradbury
- *The House on Mango Street*, Cisneros

All students will read at least one play or epic poem from the following list:

- *Romeo and Juliet*, Shakespeare
- *Antigone*, Sophocles
- *The Odyssey*, Homer
- *A Doll's House*, Ibsen

All students will read short stories, including:

- "The Scarlet Ibis" Hurst

Grade 10

Survey of World Literature

All students will read nonfiction from the following:

- “SDUHSD Nonfiction Reader” -- argument/persuasive exposition.

All students will read at least one novel from the following list:

- *The Catcher in the Rye*, Salinger
- Selections from *Eye of the Heart*
- *Oedipus Rex*, Sophocles
- *The Stranger*, Camus
- *Cyrano de Bergerac*, Rostand
- *Kite Runner*, Hosseini
- *Life of Pi*, Martel
- Selections from *World Writers Today*

Students will reading one of the following Shakespearean plays:

- *Taming of the Shrew*
- *Twelfth Night*
- *Much Ado About Nothing*

All students will read one of the following works in a seminar:

- *Bless Me, Ultima*, Anaya
- *Kitchen*, Yoshimoto
- *Maus*, Spiegelman
- *The Power of One*, Courtenay
- *Metamorphosis*, Kafka
- *River Sutra*, Mehta

All Honors students will read at least two of the following:

- *Crime and Punishment*, Dostoevsky
- *Anna Karenina*, Tolstoy
- *House of Spirits*, Allende
- *Waiting for Godot*, Beckett
- *One Hundred Years of Solitude*, Marquez

Grade 11

Survey of American Literature

All students will read two of the following novels:

- *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*, Twain
- *The Joy Luck Club*, Tan
- *The Great Gatsby*, Fitzgerald
- *Their Eyes Were Watching God*, Hurston

All students will read one of the following plays:

- *The Crucible*, Miller
- *Death of a Salesman*, Miller
- *Fences*, Wilson
- *The Piano Lesson*, Wilson

All students will read at least two of the following:

- *Black Elk Speaks*, Black Elk
- *High Tide in Tucson*, Kingsolver
- *The Awakening*, Chopin
- *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*, Angelou
- *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*, Kesey
- *St. Maybe*, Tyler
- *Snow Falling on Cedars*, Gutterson
- *Yellow Raft on Blue Water*, Dorris
- *Rain of Gold*, Villasenor
- *Stranger in a Strange Land*, Heinlein
- *Mama Day*, Naylor
- *In Cold Blood*, Capote
- *The Things They Carried*, O'Brien

All AP students will read at least one of the following:

- *The Grapes of Wrath*, Steinbeck
- *The Sound and the Fury*, Faulkner
- *Invisible Man*, Ellison
- *The Scarlet Letter*, Hawthorne
- *The Sun Also Rises*, Hemingway

Grade 12 Literature in English

All students will read at least one of the following Shakespearean plays:

- *The Tragedy of Macbeth*
- *The Tragedy of Hamlet*
- *King Lear*

All students will at least three of the following:

- *The Secret Sharer* or *Heart of Darkness*, Conrad
- *Cry the Beloved Country*, Paton

"Coming of Age Unit"

- *Wuthering Heights*, Bronte
- *Childhood's End*, Clarke
- *A Room with a View*, Forster
- *Pride and Prejudice*, Austen
- *Nervous Conditions*, Dangarembga
- *A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man*, Joyce
- *Never Let Me Go*, Ishiguro

"Responsibility Unit"

- *Frankenstein*, Shelley
- *Nineteen Eighty-Four*, Orwell
- *A Handmaid's Tale*, Atwood
- *A Room of One's Own*, Woolf
- *Tess of the D'Urbervilles*, Hardy
- *V for Vendetta*, Moore
- *Brave New World*, Huxley
- *The Picture of Dorian Gray*, Wilde

All AP students will read:

- *A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man*, Joyce
- *Sound and Sense*, Perrine