



## THOMAS JEFFERSON INDEPENDENT DAY SCHOOL 2024 SUMMER READING LIST

Students in grades 1-12 are required to complete a summer reading selection for English.

Students in grades 3-12 are required to also complete a non-fiction selection that aligns with one of their other core subjects as listed below.

All required texts are available in the front office.

### Lower School

- 1<sup>st</sup> Grade     *Frog and Toad Are Friends* by Arnold Lobel  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade     *Flat Stanley: His Original Adventure* by Jeff Brown  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade     *The One and Only Ivan* by Katherine Applegate  
                    *Who Was Walt Disney?* by Whitney Stewart  
                    (Social Studies-Famous Missourians)  
4<sup>th</sup> Grade     *Frindle* by Andrew Clements  
                    *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind* by William Kamkwamba and Bryan Mealer  
                    (Science-Electric Circuits)  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade     *Home of the Brave* by Katherine Applegate  
                    *King George: What Was His Problem?* by Steve Sheinkin and Tim Robinson  
                    (U.S. History)

### Middle School

- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade     *Wrinkle in Time* by Madeleine L'Engle  
                    *Shipwreck at the Bottom of the World* by Jennifer Armstrong  
                    (Geography)  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade     *How I Became a Ghost* by Tim Tingle  
                    *Thomas Jefferson: President and Philosopher* by Jon Meacham  
                    (U.S. History)  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade     *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee  
                    *A Little History of the World* by E. H. Gombrich  
                    (Western Civilization)

## Upper School

- 9<sup>th</sup> Grade     *Illustrated Man* by Ray Bradbury  
                  *Soul of an Octopus* by Sy Montgomery  
                  (Biology)
- 10<sup>th</sup> Grade    *Metamorphosis* by Franz Kafka  
                  *Children of the Sun* by Alfred W. Crosby  
                  (Chemistry)
- 11<sup>th</sup> Grade    *The Scarlet Letter* by Nathaniel Hawthorne  
                  *Profiles in Courage* by John F. Kennedy  
                  (U.S. History)
- 12<sup>th</sup> Grade    *The Bell Jar* by Sylvia Plath  
                  *Sapiens* by Yuval Harari  
                  (Humanities)