

12 LITERATURE & COMPOSITION 2023 TSD SUMMER READING

Seniors this summer we encourage you to begin exploring the individual stories from around the world. 12LC is centered arould World Literature and this course will challenge you to examine your thinking, your learning, and your view of the world. The goal this summer is for you to start to consider different parts of the world, and the cultures, the individuals, and the stories that give shape to and define that region.

As we begin to think how literacy is more than just the words within a great novel, seniors are challenged to learn about these cultures by exploring stories in nontraditional formats. Students can **start by reading any of the world literature novels** from the lists below, but then **continue** by watching a **documentary**, or listening to a **series of podcasts**, or even by regularly reading **credible news**.

CAPTURE YOUR THINKING

To capture your thinking while you read over the summer, **create a notebook page that shows your thinking around the questions below.** Your notebook page could be in your writers notebook, digitally on your iPad, or even organized in the notes app on your phone. Choose whatever format fits your learning style.

Within the first weeks of the school year, we will be utilizing your thoughts to discuss and give foundation to our class. We look forward to beginning the school year with students who have explored options that demonstrate curiosity and fit their passions.

QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:

- 1. What story is being told?
- 2. What stories are being left out?
- 3. Whose perspective is this story told through?
- 4. Whose voice is missing?
- 5. How does storytelling help to create empathy?

LISTS TO HELP YOU GET STARTED ...

As all of these selections contain mature themes, please do your research to make sure what you choose is a "good fit" for your interests and/or world view. We've created this list to offer choices to every student, regardless of ability, thus the reading/viewing difficulty varies widely from title to title. Be sure to do your research. Don't shy away from something challenging if it captures your interest!

| READ | WATCH | LISTEN |
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| 23 International Books All High School Students Should Read Go Global with these YA Books Set Around the World Use this website to explore books by specific regions of the world 15 YA Books To Read If You Really Miss Traveling Explore this international literary magazine that publishes the best contemporary interviews, essays, poetry, fiction, and book reviews | 11 <u>Globally Focused</u> <u>Documentaries</u> That Expand Our Horizons & Educate Us About The World Top 10 <u>Documentaries On Global</u> <u>Subcultures</u> Social & Cultural <u>Documentaries</u> <u>on Netflix</u> Must See <u>Documentaries to</u> <u>Explain the World</u> in 2020 | Podcasts That Inspire Cultural AwarenessPodcasts for Teens Them Glued to Their HeadphonesPodcasts Every Teen Should Listen To ASAPPodcasts Organized by Topic / Category on Open CulturePodcasts for Learning About Culture and the World in 2019Best educational podcasts for learning what you missed in schoolEducational Podcasts to Expand Your Mind |

"Many stories matter. Stories have been used to dispossess and to malign. But stories can also be used to empower, and to humanize. Stories can break the dignity of a people. But stories can also repair that broken dignity." __ Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie, author

We look forward to seeing you in the fall and beginning our study of World Literature together!

