IB/SL Literature & Language Summer Assignment 2023 (Rising Juniors)

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Purpose: The purpose of this assignment is to encourage wide reading and to preview the types of texts that will be studied in the course. This assignment is **required** for rising IB SL juniors.

Estimated time to complete this assignment: ~6 hours

Assessment: In-class discussions, reading and writing diagnostics. Be prepared to write a Paper 1 essay based on the non-literary work upon return to school.

Task: Read a literary work (fiction/nonfiction/poetry/drama) AND a non-literary work of your choice (see suggestions below). While reading, keep an informal journal about the ideas you are discovering. (This will not be collected; the notes are to help you process what you are reading.) At the beginning of the year, be prepared to share out your ideas with your classmates and complete a Paper 1 essay in response to what you have read.

Literary Works

- NPR's 2022 Books We Love
- NPR's 2022 Books We Love (nonfiction)
- ALA 2023 Best Fiction for Young Adults list
- Goodreads Readers Choice Award 2022
- NYT Best sellers list
- Poetry Out Loud
- Goodreads "Best plays ever" list
- Vulture Best Theater of 2022

Non-literary Works

- blog
- podcast
- documentary
- letter to the editor
- memoir
- opinion column
- journal
- speech
- tabloid
- public service announcement (PSA)
- website
- a journalistic review of a speech
- interview
- newspaper article
- retelling an event from a different point of view
- magazine article
- newspaper editorial
- essay
- social media posts