



Christian Formation | Classical Learning | Covenant Partnership | Gracious Citizenship

Logic and Rhetoric School Summer Reading

“Once you learn to read, you will be forever free.” - Frederick Douglas

Regardless of age, the experience of reading great books has the power to deeply touch our hearts, our minds, and our spirits alike.

At Christ Classical Academy we desire not only for our students to love reading, but more importantly, we want them to become discerning readers, readers who are drawn to books that are life-giving as well as life-changing; through books that help shape a person’s character, challenge their thinking, captivate their minds, and take them on unimaginable adventures to far-away lands with unforgettable characters.

Students entering sixth grade will read *Across Five Aprils* by Irene Hunt.

Students entering seventh grade will read *God’s Smuggler* by Brother Andrew

Students entering eighth grade will read *Watership Down* by Richard Adams.

Students entering ninth grade will read *Mythology* (parts 1-5) by Edith Hamilton.

All logic and rhetoric students must choose one additional title from the Boni Libri list below. This title should be a book the student has not previously read.

Entering 6th-8th Grades

1. *Inkheart Series (3 titles)* - Cornelia Funke
2. *Any Jane Austen titles*
3. *Julie of the Wolves* - Jean Craighead George
4. *The House on Mango Street* - Sandra Cisneros *
5. *Gold Rush Girl* - Avi
6. *The Little Prince* - Antoine de Saint-Exupéry
7. *The Sherlock Holmes Series (6 titles)* - Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
8. *DK Eyewitness: World War II*
9. *DK Eyewitness: Wonders of the World*
10. *The Mysterious Benedict Society* - Trenton Lee Stewart

11. The Red Badge of Courage - Stephen Crane
12. Frankenstein - Mary Shelley
13. 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea - Jules Verne
14. At the Back of the North Wind - George Macdonald
15. The Sword in the Stone - T.H. White
16. The Rescuers - Margery Sharp
17. Children of the New Forest - Captain Marryat
18. War Horse - Michael Morpurgo
19. Prairie Lotus - Linda Sue Park
20. The War Between Worlds - H. G. Wells
21. Captain Courageous - Rudyard Kipling
22. Kidnapped - Rudyard Kipling
23. Wingfold Trilogy - George Macdonald
24. Pilgrim's Progress - John Bunyan
25. Rifles for Watie - Henry Keith
26. The Three Musketeers - Alexandre Dumas
27. Jane Eyre - Charlotte Bronte
28. White Fang - Jack London
29. Brown Girl Dreaming - Jacqueline Woodson **
30. Peter and the Starcatchers - Dave Berry and Ridley Pearson ***
31. A Wizard of Earthsea - Ursula K. Le Guin
32. The Giver - Lois Lowry
33. Souder - William H. Armstrong *

*Sensitive readers may be upset by this book, parent discernment advised

** Jehovah's Witness belief systems present

*** Some suggested mature content present, parent discernment advised

Entering 9th grade

Fiction

Watership Down¹ Richard Adams

Little Women Louisa May Alcott

Emma Jane Austen

Mansfield Park

Sense and Sensibility

Jane Eyre Charlotte Bronte

O Pioneers! Willa Cather

The Last of the Mohicans James Fenimore Cooper

The Red Badge of Courage Stephen Crane

David Copperfield Charles Dickens

The Tale of Two Cities

Cranford Elizabeth Gaskell

North and South

Wives and Daughters

To Kill a Mockingbird² Harper Lee

Call of the Wild Jack London

Short stories O'Henry

The Chosen³ Chaim Potok

The Promise

. . . Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde Robert Louis Stevenson

Adventures of Huckleberry Finn Mark Twain

Any Title Jules Verne

Any Title P.G. Wodehouse

Biography

The Hiding Place Corrie ten Boom

Life and Diary David Brainerd

The First American H.W. Brands

Andrew Jackson

Winston Churchill Violet Bonham Carter

Lincoln Richard Cartwardine

Jefferson's Great Gamble Charles A. Cerami

The Real Lincoln Thomas DiLorenzo

Lincoln David Herbert Donald
A Chance to Die Elisabeth Elliot
His Excellency Joseph J. Ellis
Daniel Boone John Back Faragher
The Autobiography Benjamin Franklin
God's Politician Garth Lean
A Man Called Peter Catherine Marshall
Churchill at War Lord Moran
George Washington Willard Sterne Randall
Grant Jean Edward Smith
John Paul Jones Evan Thomas
Children of the Storm Natasha Vins
Non-Fiction
Life Together Dietrich Bonhoeffer
Let Me Be a Woman Elisabeth Elliot
The Mark of a Man
The Attributes of God A.W. Pink
How to Read Slowly James Sire
The Holiness of God R.C. Sproul
Reading Between the Lines Gene Edward Veith
Face to Face Steve Wilkins
Recovering the Lost Tools Douglas Wilson
Repairing the Ruins
The Fruit of Her Hands Nancy Wilson