

Indiana Reading List



Level 4

Grades 9 – 12

Designed as a companion piece to Indiana's Academic Standards in English/Language Arts, the following selections of the Indiana Reading List illustrate the quality and complexity of the suggested reading materials for students in Grades 9 – 12. The Indiana Reading List is not required reading nor is it meant to be all-inclusive. Teachers and parents are encouraged to review the selections to ensure suitability for the individual student.

Fiction: Classic and Contemporary

- The Abduction* – Newth, Mette and Tiina Nunnally
- The Adventures of Augie March* – Bellow, Saul
- The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* – Twain, Mark
- The Age of Innocence* – Wharton, Edith
- Animal Farm* – Orwell, George
- The Assistant* – Malamud, Bernard
- Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman* – Gaines, Ernest J.
- The Bean Trees* – Kingsolver, Barbara
- Billy Budd* – Melville, Herman
- Bless Me, Ultima* – Anaya, Rudolfo
- Buried Onions* – Soto, Gary
- Catcher in the Rye* – Salinger, J.D.
- Ceremony* – Silko, Leslie Marmon
- The Contender* – Lipsyte, Robert
- Crime and Punishment* – Dostoyevsky, Fyodor
- Davita's Harp* – Potok, Chaim
- Frankenstein* – Shelley, Mary
- A Girl of the Limbertost* – Stratton-Porter, Gene
- Great Expectations* – Dickens, Charles
- The Great Gatsby* – Fitzgerald, F. Scott
- Heart of Darkness* – Conrad, Joseph
- House on Mango Street* – Cisneros, Sandra
- If Beale Street Could Talk* – Baldwin, James
- In the Time of the Butterflies* – Alvarez, Julia
- Invisible Man* – Ellison, Ralph
- Jane Eyre* – Bronte, Charlotte
- The Joy Luck Club* – Tan, Amy
- The Magnificent Ambersons* – Tarkington, Booth
- The Metamorphosis* – Kafka, Franz
- Of Mice and Men* – Steinbeck, John
- The Old Man and the Sea* – Hemingway, Ernest
- A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man* – Joyce, James
- Pride and Prejudice* – Austen, Jane
- The Return of the Native* – Hardy, Thomas
- The Scarlet Letter* – Hawthorne, Nathaniel
- Sense and Sensibility* – Austen, Jane
- A Separate Peace* – Knowles, John
- Shoeless Joe* – Kinsella, W. P.
- Silas Marner* – Elliot, George
- The Sound and the Fury* – Faulkner, William
- The Stranger* – Camus, Albert
- Things Fall Apart* – Achebe, Chinua
- To Kill a Mockingbird* – Lee, Harper
- To the Lighthouse* – Woolf, Virginia
- Typical American* – Jen, Gish
- Wheels for Walking* – Richmond, Sandra

Historical Fiction

- All Quiet on the Western Front* – Remarque, Erich Maria
- A Bell for Adano* – Hersey, John
- Beyond the Burning Time* – Lasky, Kathryn
- Cry, the Beloved Country* – Paton, Alan
- A Farewell to Arms* – Hemingway, Ernest
- Freedom Road* – Fast, Howard
- The Grapes of Wrath* – Steinbeck, John
- The Jungle* – Sinclair, Upton
- My Antonia* – Cather, Willa
- The Red Badge of Courage* – Crane, Stephen
- A Tale of Two Cities* – Dickens, Charles
- This Strange New Feeling* – Lester, Julius

Science Fiction/Fantasy

- 1984* – Orwell, George
- 2001: A Space Odyssey* – Clarke, Arthur C.
- Brave New World* – Huxley, Aldus
- Fahrenheit 451* – Bradbury, Ray
- Foundation* – Asimov, Issac
- The Lord of the Rings* – Tolkien, J. R. R.
- The Martian Chronicles* – Bradbury, Ray
- The War of the Worlds* – Wells, H.G.
- Watership Down* – Adams, Richard



Folklore/Fairy Tales/Mythology

The Acts of King Arthur and His Noble Knights – Steinbeck, John

The Adventures of Ulysses – Evslin, Bernard

Beowulf – author unknown

Greek Mythology – Hamilton, Edith

The Iliad – Homer

Le Morte D'Arthur – Malory, Sir Thomas

The Metamorphoses – Ovid

Mules and Men – Hurston, Zora Neale

North American Indian Mythology – Burland, Cottie Arthur

The Odyssey – Homer

The Once and Future King – White, T.H.

The Power of Myth – Campbell, Joseph

Treasury of Irish Folklore – Colum, Padriac (ed.)

The Way to Rainy Mountain – Momaday, N. Scott

Poetry

“The Bean Eaters” – Brooks, Gwendolyn

The Canterbury Tales – Chaucer, Geoffrey

“Chicago” – Sandburg, Carl

Selections from *Collected Poems* – Eliot, T. S.

Selections from *The Collected Poems* – Plath, Sylvia

The Complete Poems of Emily Dickinson – Dickinson, Emily

Selections from *Complete Poetical Works* – Lowell, Amy

Selections from *The Complete Poetical Works* – Riley, James Whitcomb

“Easter 1916” and “Sailing to Byzantium” – Yeats, William Butler

“Fish” – Bishop, Elizabeth

“I Hear America Singing” and “O Captain! My Captain!” – Whitman, Walt

“I Wandered Lonely as a Cloud” – Wordsworth, William

“In Memoriam” – Tennyson, Alfred Lord

“One More Round” and “Human Family” – Angelou, Maya

Selections from *Poems of Pablo Neruda* – Neruda, Pablo

Selections from *The Poetical Works* – Shelley, Percy Bysshe

Selections from *The Poetry of Robert Frost* – Frost, Robert

“The Raven” and “Annabel Lee” – Poe, Edgar Allan

“The Rime of the Ancient Mariner” – Coleridge, Samuel Taylor

Selections from *Selected Poems* – Heaney, Seamus

Selections from *Selected Poems of Langston Hughes* – Hughes, Langston

Selections from *Sonnets* – Keats, John

Selections from *Sonnets* – Shakespeare, William

Selections from *Spoon River Anthology* – Masters, Edgar Lee

“The Tiger” and “The Lamb” – Blake, William

“To Freedom” and “This Life” – Dove, Rita

Treasury of Great Poems – Untermeyer, Louis (ed.)

Short Stories

“Bartleby the Scrivener” – Melville, Herman

Selections from *The Best Short Stories* – Drieser, Theodore

Selections from *The Collected Short Stories* – Welty, Eudora

“The Egg” – Anderson, Sherwood

“Gift of the Magi” – Henry, O.

“The Lady or the Tiger” – Stockton, Frank

“The Life You Save May Be Your Own” – O’Conner, Flannery

“The Lottery” – Jackson, Shirley

“The Red Convertible” – Erdich, Louise

“The Richer, the Poorer” – West, Dorothy

Selections from *Short Stories* – Chekov, Anton

“The Story of Poe” – Ade, George

Selections from *Tales and Poems of Edgar Allan Poe* – Poe, Edgar Allan

“Two or Three Things I Know for Sure” – Allison, Dorothy

“What Means Switch?” – Jen, Gish

“Where Have You Been, Where Are You Going?” – Oates, Joyce Carol

“The White Heron” – Jewett, Sarah Orne

“Young Goodman Brown” – Hawthorne, Nathaniel

Drama

Antigone – Sophocles

The Crucible – Miller, Arthur

Death of a Salesman – Miller, Arthur

A Doll’s House – Ibsen, Henrik

Fences – Wilson, August

The Glass Menagerie – Williams, Tennessee

Hamlet – Shakespeare, William

Julius Caesar – Shakespeare, William

Macbeth – Shakespeare, William

Oedipus Rex – Sophocles

Pygmalion – Shaw, George Bernard

A Raisin in the Sun – Hansberry, Lorraine

Romeo and Juliet – Shakespeare, William

The Tempest – Shakespeare, William

Twelve Angry Men – Rose, Reginald

Waiting for Godot – Beckett, Samuel



Essays and Speeches

- "Choice: A Tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr." – Walker, Alice
- "Day of Infamy" – Roosevelt, Franklin D.
- "Declaration of Independence" – Jefferson, Thomas
- "The Fire Next Time" – Baldwin, James
- "Floyd Patterson: The Essence of a Competitor" – Oates, Joyce Carol
- "The Gettysburg Address" – Lincoln, Abraham
- "House Divided" – Lincoln, Abraham
- "I Have a Dream" – King, Martin Luther, Jr.
- "I Will Fight No More Forever" – Chief Joseph
- Inaugural Address, 1961 – Kennedy, John F.
- "Letter from Birmingham Jail" – King, Martin Luther, Jr.
- Nobel Prize Acceptance Speech, 1950 – Faulkner, William
- Selections from *Pilgrim at Tinker Creek* – Dillard, Annie
- "Self-Reliance" – Emerson, Ralph Waldo
- "Sharing the American Dream" – Powell, Colin
- Selections from *A Small Place* – Kincaid, Jamaica
- "Straw Into Gold" – Cisneros, Sandra
- "We Will Never Surrender" – Churchill, Winston

Nonfiction: Science, Social Studies, and Mathematics

- Americans: The National Experience* – Boorstin, Daniel
- The Assassination of Lincoln: History and Myth* – Lewis, Lloyd
- Black Holes and Baby Universes and Other Essays* – Hawking, Stephen
- Black Like Me* – Griffin, John Howard
- A Brief History of Time* – Hawking, Stephen

- Coming of Age in the Milky Way* – Ferris, Timothy
- Connections* – Burke, James
- Cosmos* – Sagan, Carl
- Constitution of the United States of America: The Preamble*
- The Creators* – Boorstin, Daniel
- The Day the Universe Changed* – Burke, James
- Democracy in America* – de Tocqueville, Alexis
- The Discoverers* – Boorstin, Daniel
- The Einstein Paradox and Other Mysteries Solved by Sherlock Holmes* – Bruce, Colin
- Ernie's War: The Best of Ernie Pyle's World War II Dispatches* – Nichols, David (ed.)
- Full Steam Ahead: The Race to Build the Transcontinental Railroad* – Blumberg, Rhoda
- HerStory: Women Who Changed the World* – Ashby, Ruth (ed.)
- A Hoosier Holiday* – Dreiser, Theodore
- The Immense Journey* – Eisley, Loren
- In the Spirit of Crazy Horse* – Mathiessen, Peter
- Lisa and David* – Rubin, Theodore
- Lives of a Cell: Notes of a Biology Watcher* – Thomas, Lewis
- The Mathematical Tourist: Snapshots of Modern Mathematics* – Peterson, Ivars
- A Mathematician's Apology* – Hardy, G. H.
- The Meaning of It All* – Feynman, Richard
- The Mind's Sky: Human Intelligence in a Cosmic Context* – Ferris, Timothy
- The Mismeasure of Man* – Gould, Steven Jay
- New Kids in Town: Oral Histories of Immigrant Teens* – Bode, Janet
- Now Is Your Time! The African American Struggle for Freedom* – Myers, Walter Dean

- On Growth and Form* – Thompson, D'Arcy
- Riding the Rails: Teenagers on the Move During the Great Depression* – Uys, Errol Lincoln
- Roots* – Haley, Alex
- The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People* – Covey, Stephen
- Shakespeare's Theatre* – Morley, Jacqueline
- Silent Spring* – Carson, Rachel
- Tell Them We Remember: Story of the Holocaust* – Bachrach, Susan D.
- The Third Wave* – Toffler, Alvin
- Thursday's Universe* – Bartusiak, Marcia
- Time's Arrows* – Morris, Richard
- To Be a Slave* – Lester, Julius
- The World of Mathematics* – Newman, James

Biography/Autobiography

- Growing Up* – Baker, Russell
- Alexander Graham Bell: Making Connections* – Pasachoff, Naomi
- John Wilkes Booth: A Sister's Memoir* – Clarke, Asia Booth
- Out of Darkness: the Story of Louis Braille* – Freedman, Russell
- The Childhood Story of Christy Brown* [previously *My Left Foot*] – Brown, Christy
- Madame Curie* – Curie, Eve
- Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass* – Douglass, Frederick
- Barrio Boy* – Galarza, Ernesto
- Gandhi, Great Soul* – Severance, John
- The Story of My Life* – Keller, Helen
- The Woman Warrior* – Kingston, Maxine Hong
- Home Before Night* – Leonard, Hugh
- Winning Ways: A Photohistory of Women in Sports* – Macy, Sue
- Blue Highways* – Moon, William Least Heat
- Franklin Delano Roosevelt* – Freedman, Russell



Not for Ourselves Alone: The Story of Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony – Ward, Geoffrey

Tall Chief: America's Prima Ballerina – Tallechief, Maria

Walden – Thoreau, Henry David

Night – Wiesel, Elie

One Writer's Beginnings – Welty, Eudora

Passion to Know: The Scientists of Today's World – Wilson, Mitchell

The Right Stuff – Wolfe, Tom

Black Boy: A Record of Childhood and Youth – Wright, Richard

Magazines/Newspapers

Audubon Magazine

Business Week

Consumer Reports

National Geographic

Natural History

The New York Times

Newsweek

Popular Mechanics

Scientific American

Smithsonian

Sports Illustrated

Time

The Wall Street Journal

Reference Tools (in printed and electronic format)

Atlas/Almanac, such as:

Printed: *National Geographic Atlas of the World; World Almanac and Book of Facts 2005*

Online: The Worldfact Book (www.odci.gov/cia/publications/factbook/)

Dictionary, such as:

Printed: *DK Illustrated Oxford Dictionary; Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary; Oxford English Dictionary*

CD-ROM: *Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary*

Online: Merriam-Webster Online Dictionary (www.m-w.com)

Encyclopedia, such as:

Printed: *Compton's Encyclopedia*

CD-ROM: *Encyclopedia Britannica 2005 Deluxe CD; Microsoft Encarta Encyclopedia Deluxe 2005*

Online: Encarta (www.encarta.msn.com); Britannica (www.britannica.com)

Other Resources, such as:

Printed: *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations; College Placement Annual; Scientists: The Lives and Works of 150 Scientists; United States Government Manual; Worldmark Encyclopedia of the States*

DVD-ROM: *Microsoft Encarta Reference Library Premium 2005 DVD*

Online: Internet Public Library Reference Center (www.ipl.org/ref); Research-It! (www.itools.com/research-it)

Thesaurus, such as:

Printed: *The American Heritage Student Thesaurus; Bartlett's Roget's Thesaurus*

CD-ROM: *Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Thesaurus*

Online: Merriam-Webster Online Thesaurus (www.m-w.com)

Informational, Technical, and Practical Documents

Applications: job, college admission, college financial aid, consumer loan, credit card

Catalogs

Help-Wanted Advertisements

Indiana Drivers Manual

Invoices

Lease/Rental Agreements: apartment, automobile

Letters: personal, business

Loan Agreements: credit card, consumer loan

Manuals: computer, electronic equipment, appliance, automotive

Medical Records

Military Enrollment Forms

Periodic Financial Statements: checking account, savings account, loan, credit card

Reports: stock and mutual funds, corporate financial, local/state/federal government

Resumes

Travel Schedules and Itineraries

Voter Registration and Ballots

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Questions?

The Indiana Reading List is a suggested reading resource for students and teachers. Check with your local school to see if there is a required reading list. For additional information or questions, call the office of Program Development at 1.800.527.4930 or visit the Web site for the standards at: www.doe.state.in.us/standards.

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