



Upper Arlington High School

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To: Students and Parents
From: The UAHS Language Arts Department
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This year the UAHS Language Arts Department is not requiring teacher-selected works for summer reading in the majority of our language arts courses*. It is our hope, however, that you will *choose* to read — not just one book, short story, or poem this summer, but many!

*Summer Reading Requirements by Individual Course

All grade-level, honors, AP, and CCP English courses: Student-selected texts

IB Courses: Teacher-selected, required text

11th Grade IB-HL, Year 1: *Exit West* by Moshin Hamid

12th Grade IB-HL, Year 2: *In the Time of the Butterflies* by Julia Alvarez

Students should read and annotate in preparation for discussions during the first weeks of quarter 1.

If you are looking for summer reading suggestions for student-selected texts, we offer **a few starting points:**

- Readers can consider selections recommended by the Upper Arlington Public Library: [UAPL Reading Recommendations for Teens](#).
- Readers can browse the Upper Arlington City School District's collection of eBooks and audiobooks through the app, **Sora**. This app can also be linked to the UAPL, offering an even greater selection of eBooks and audio books. Directions for accessing and using Sora can be found [here](#).
- Readers also might find excellent choices by consulting "Best Summer Reads" lists on such sites as *Goodreads*, *Barnes & Noble*, *Columbus Metro Library*, *Common Sense Media*, [American Library Association](#), and *Association for Library Service to Children*.

A Note to Parents: We encourage you to look over any selections with your student in order to choose books that are "good fits" with regard to content, interest level, level of difficulty, etc.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Meridith Niekamp (mniekamp@uaschools.org).