Grades 10 and 11

10th and 11th grade students have required summer reading for English class. The books will be discussed in depth in the fall semester. 11th grade students enrolled in Upper Level Spanish have a specific required reading assignment for this course (see Grades 11 and 12, Upper Level Spanish section below).

All students starting Grade 10 in Fall Semester, 2016, are required to read two books:

At the beginning of World War II, Helena, who is half Jewish, has to adjust to the loss of friends and fears for her mother while spending 12-hour days working in an armaments factory.

Ultima, a curandera, one who cures with herbs and magic, comes to Antonio Marez's New Mexico family when he is six years old, and she helps him discover himself in the magical secrets of the pagan past.

All students starting Grade 11 in Fall Semester, 2016, are required to read two books:

Hester Prynne is the adulteress, forced by the Puritan community to wear a scarlet letter A on the breast of her gown. Arthur Dimmesdale, the minister and the secret father of her child, Pearl, struggles with the agony of conscience and his own weakness. Roger Chillingworth, Hester's husband, revenges himself on Dimmesdale by calculating assaults on the frail mental state of the conscience-stricken cleric.

Huck, in flight from his murderous father, and Jim, in flight from slavery, pilot their raft down the Mississippi River in search of freedom. This Norton Critical Edition includes annotations, documents, information about the author, and critical excerpts.
Grade 12

12th grade students are encouraged to read at least two books of their own choice during July and August. Students should be prepared to discuss their summer reading in the first weeks of school in September in their English class. IB students are required to continue their Extended Essay writing, and must focus on completing as much of this assignment as possible, as discussed with the EE coordinator and the supervisor. 12th grade students enrolled in IB Spanish B SL have a specific required reading assignment (see below).

Grades 11 and 12, IB Spanish B SL

11th and 12th grade students enrolled in IB Spanish B SL are required to read the English translation of *Crónica de una muerte anunciada* by Gabriel García Márquez during the summer. Students should be prepared to participate in discussions of the book, in Spanish, during fall semester.


Translation of: *Crónica de una muerte anunciada*. A young man tries to uncover the truth behind a shocking murder that took place nearly thirty years earlier, looking to the town's residents to rebuild the events of the crime and try to determine why no one stopped the killer when everyone seemed to know his intentions.