AP Capstone Summer Reading Assignment for 2025-2026 School Year

If you have questions, please email Mr. Radzak at nradzak@bishopgorman.org
You will receive a response as soon as possible--but it is summer: he is off reading too.

If you are joining AP Seminar, welcome to the AP Capstone program. If you are preparing for AP Research, welcome back. Let's start here: this is 100% optional. No one has to do the below; it is not for a grade.

However, since AP Capstone students are curious and many are readers, I decided to share a few interesting nonfiction titles with you. If you read one (or more), please let me know in August. If you are truly inspired, you can even send me an email over the summer.

I love reading and discussing ideas; I look forward to hearing what you have been exploring.

Capstone Library Reading Titles

Hidden Potential by Adam Grant
Grit by Angela Duckworth
Mindset by Carol Dweck

Anti-Fragile by Nassim Nicholas Taleb

Biophilia by E.O. Wilson

Slow Productivity by Cal Newport

Wild Swans by Jung Chang

Thinking Fast and Slow by Daniel Kahneman

Lab Girl by Hope Jahren

An Astronaut's Guide to Life on Earth by Col. Chris Hadfield

The Power of Habit by Charles Duhigg

Braiding Sweetgrass by Robin Wall Kimmerer

The Anxious Generation by Johnathan Haidt

Everybody Lies by Seth Stevens-Davidowitz

Musicophillia by Oliver Sacks

Naked Statistics by Charles Wheelan

The Warmth of Other Suns by Isabel Wilkerson

Our Wild Calling by Richard Louv (or Last Child in the Woods or The Nature Principle)

Finding the Mother Tree by Suzanne Simard

King Leopold's Ghost by Adam Hothschild

Good to Great by Jim Collins

The Road to Character by David Brooks

Dare to Lead by Brene Brown

Why We Sleep by Matthew Walker

Sapiens by Yuval Noah Harari

The Kingdom of Speech by Tom Wolfe

How Proust Can Change Your Life by Alain de Botton

The Demon-Haunted World by Carl Sagan

