

AP Literature Summer Reading / 2025

“And so with the sunshine and the great bursts of leaves growing on the trees, just as things grow in fast movies, I had that familiar conviction that life was beginning over again with the summer.”

– F. Scott Fitzgerald, *The Great Gatsby*

Welcome to Advanced Placement English Literature!

1. Read [What AP Stands For](#)
2. Choose one of the following books to read after clicking on the book cover to learn more: *The Alchemist*, *Wuthering Heights*, *The Water Dancer*, *All the Pretty Horses*



3. Create a [one-pager](#) about your book

Note: As this course is modeled after college English courses, we will read pieces of literature that contain mature language and themes. It is expected that students who are enrolled in this course will approach the texts with a high level of respect and maturity. You are responsible for choosing a work that is appropriate for you this summer. Please visit [Common Sense Media](#) and [Goodreads](#) for more information about reading selections and to help you choose from the options above.

Summer reading assignments are **due on the first day of class**. Success in this course relies on your commitment to the reading assignments. That commitment begins with the summer reading and continues throughout the school year.