

## Summer Reading List 2015 for 10-12th Graders

Williamsville East High School

Good books offer a view into another life. This summer reading list introduces you to interesting characters living interesting lives.

You are expected to ***actively read*** at least one book. **Active reading** can take the form of margin notes *and* underlining in the book, using post-it notes to mark *and* annotate passages, e-reader notes, or keeping notes in a notebook.

Once you have finished reading the book, you will need to write a one-page response to your reading.

Tobias Wolff	<i>In Pharoah's Army</i>
Susan King	<i>Lady Macbeth</i>
Daniel James Brown	<i>The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics</i>
Markus Zusak	<i>The Book Thief</i>
Maxine Hong Kingston	<i>The Woman Warrior</i>
Rebecca Skloot	<i>The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks</i>
Laura Bates	<i>Shakespeare Saved My Life</i>
Simon Wiesenthal	<i>The Sunflower: On the Possibilities and Limits of Forgiveness</i>
Paul Johnson	<i>Churchill</i>
Andrew Hodges	<i>Alan Turing: The Enigma (The book that inspired the film "The Imitation Game")</i>
Nancy Marie Brown	<i>The Song of the Vikings: Snorri and the Making of the Norse Myths</i>

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR RESPONSE:

Write a well-developed paragraph in which you nominate a character from your novel for a "Most Vivid Character Award". Support your choice with quotations, examples, descriptions, evidence of character growth and lessons learned. Please be sure to note the title and author of the book in your response and avoid plot summary.

**Bring responses to class on the first day of school.**

### To locate book reviews:

You may access book reviews and sample chapters for most of the titles on this list by going to <http://wcsdestiny.williamsvillek12.org>, selecting *East High School*, and clicking on the *Catalog* tab at the top of the page. Enter the title of the book in the text box following *Find*, click on the *Title* icon, click on the *Details* icon following the title, and then click on the book cover to access this information.

You will find additional reviews by going to <http://wits.williamsvillek12.org>, clicking on the *Library* tab at the top of the page, and then selecting *Book Reviews* from the right-hand column.