

Brentwood Academy
Summer Reading List 2010
7th Grade Literature

A Rationale for Summer Reading:

- To generate interest and pleasure in reading that enriches literary and philosophical experience
- To use time not available during the school year to read classics that expand cultural literacy
- To prepare for thoughtful discussion and writing beginning the first day of class
- To encourage a lifelong love of reading

Texts:

Required:

The Bronze Bow
The book of Acts

Elizabeth George Speare
Holy Bible

Choose **one** of the following books that you have not read previously:

Little Women
The Lost Years of Merlin
The Shakespeare Stealer
Rebecca
Redwall
Walk Across America
Christy
Eragon
A Tree Grows in Brooklyn
Heidi
Treasure Island
The President's Lady
The Adventures of Tom Sawyer
Journey to the Center of the Earth
20,000 Leagues Under the Sea
The Cross and the Switchblade

Alcott
Barron
Blackwood
DuMaurier
Jacques
Jenkins
Marshall
Paolini
Smith
Spyri
Stevenson
Stone
Twain
Verne
Verne
Wilkerson

General Instructions/Evaluations:

- You will complete several assignments on both books, as well as compose a piece of writing for *The Bronze Bow* and give a presentation for your choice book. These assessments will be assigned during the first week of school. You might find it helpful to mark your book with underlining and notes, write summaries of each chapter, and/or keep a reading journal.

Please remember the B.A. English policy: do not consult Cliffs Notes, Spark Notes, internet novel guides, or any other electronic or printed summaries; work with the texts themselves.