



## 10th Grade Summer Reading

Here is a list of the summer reading for all high school grades for Summer 2026. Look at the summer reading for the grade you are going into and look at the assignments you are to complete in addition to the reading. Each book is available to order on Amazon or wherever books are sold. Be sure to complete the reading and assignments in a timely manner as you are expected to have it completed by the time school starts; do not wait until the last minute to get it done.

You will read two books this summer: one that every student will read and one that you choose from the supplemental text options listed below. Additionally, pick two themes from the list below and mark in your book any quotes or instances in the books where these themes appear. This will be checked at the beginning of the year.

### Main Text [Everyone reads this book.]

- *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury

### Supplemental Text Options [Pick One]

- *A Brave New World* by Aldous Huxley
- *1984* by George Orwell
- *Uglies* by Scott Westerfeld
- *Unwind* by Neal Shusterman

### List of themes – Select and track two of the themes in both novels.

- Mass Media
- Action vs. Inaction
- Distraction vs. Happiness
- Consumerism

- Censorship
- Conformity vs. Individuality
- Technology Addiction/Dependence

**Assignment:**

Make a presentation comparing and contrasting the society in *Fahrenheit 451* with the society in the other book you read. This can be in the form of:

- A Google Slides or PowerPoint presentation
- An infographic
- A poster\*
- A video\*\*
- An essay\*\*\*

\*The Slides/Powerpoint presentation, infographic, and poster options must have at least 3 images and should include at least 3 quotes from each book to support your argument and clearly explain the similarities and differences between the two societies. The Slides/Powerpoint presentation should have at least 5 slides.

\*\*The video must be 3-5 minutes long. You must include at least 3 quotes from each book to support your answer and must clearly explain the similarities and differences between the two societies.

\*\*\*The essay will need to be at least 2 pages long (Times New Roman or Arial, 12 point, double spaced) and must have a thesis statement that clearly explains what the main similarities and differences are between the two societies. You must have at least 3 quotes from each book to support your argument.

You will be graded on:

- **Content:** information is well-presented, clear, and correct throughout
- **Visuals:** all visuals or images are relevant and complement the text.
- **Mechanics:** grammar and spelling are correct. Consistent and engaging style throughout.
- **Creativity:** exceptional originality of presented material and interpretation.