

**MULTICULTURAL LITERATURE Summer Reading  
Assignment 2021  
West Bloomfield High School**

Please choose one book to read over summer vacation. Our goal is to have you choose a book of interest while gaining perspective from authors who represent the diversity of the United States.

During the first two weeks of school, you will complete assignments related to the summer reading. Written work done during the opening weeks of school may include a short in-class essay based upon the selected book.

All of the following books are available at the West Bloomfield Township Library and many other area libraries. At the WB Township Library, there are copies of each title, but an early check-out is recommended. Books are also available from bookstores and online merchants. Check online at <https://openlibrary.org/> for titles to read as well. Should you have any questions specific to these books, please feel free to email Ms. Firosz at [jillian.firosz@wbsd.org](mailto:jillian.firosz@wbsd.org).

Through the following selections, we have explored topics that we will be covering throughout the course of the school year. If there is another title that interests you and correlates with one or more of the following topics, please email Ms. Firosz with the name of the title. We want to make sure that you are reading a book that is of interest, but also corresponds with the themes of Multicultural Literature.

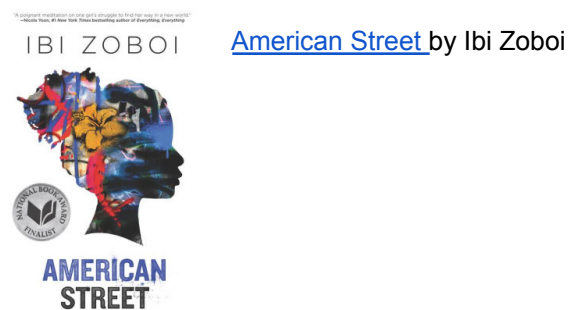
*Please make sure to read the descriptions of each book, as some may contain topics that could be sensitive to some students. Make sure you and your family are comfortable with your choice.*

Have a great summer,

Your 11th grade teachers

*The following book links with descriptions are taken from amazon.com.*

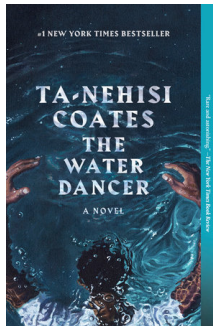
**Haitian American Literature:**



## African American Literature:



[The Vanishing Half](#) by Brit Bennett

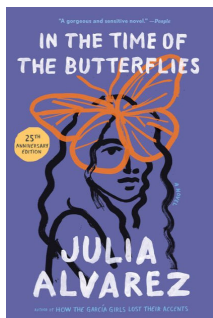


[The Water Dancer](#) by Ta-Nehisi Coates

## Latinx Literature:

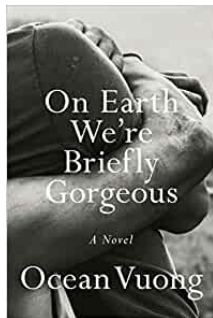


[Dominicana](#) by Angie Cruz

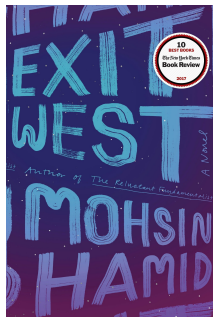


[In the Time of the Butterflies](#) by Julia Alvarez

### **Asian American Literature:**

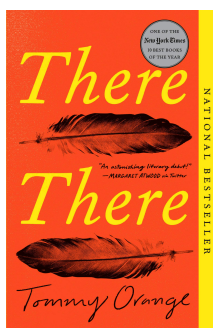


[On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous](#) by Ocean Vuong

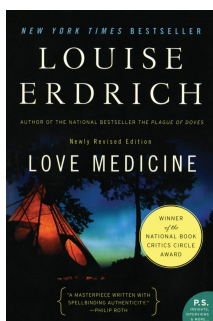


[Exit West](#) by Mohsin Hamid

### **Native American Literature:**

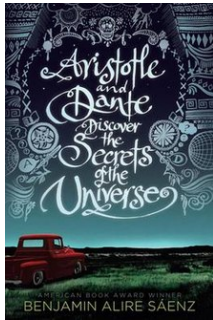


[There There](#) by Tommy Orange

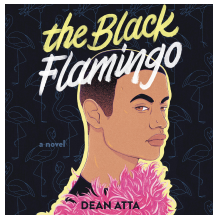


[Love Medicine](#) by Louise Erdrich

### **LGBTQ+ Literature:**

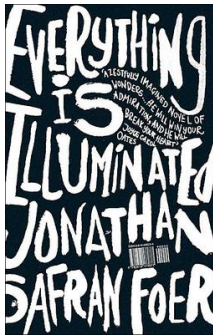


[Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe](#) by Benjamin Alire Saenz

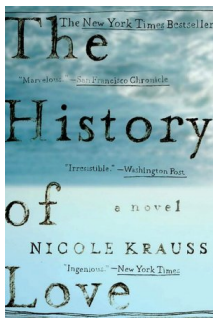


[The Black Flamingo](#) by Dean Atta

### **Jewish Literature:**



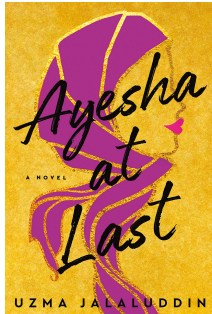
[Everything is Illuminated](#) by Jonathan Safran Foer



[The History of Love](#) by Nicole Krauss

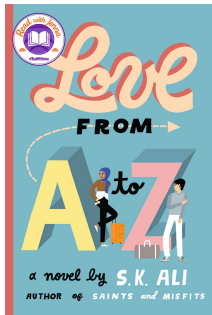


**Muslim Literature:**



[Ayesha at Last](#) by Uzma Jalaluddin

**Disability/Chronic Illness Representation:**



[Love from A to Z](#) by S.K. Ali