

# Summer Reading Challenge

Open to all Rising Freshmen, Sophomores and Juniors

“If you rest, you rust.” ~Helen Hayes, American actress

Reading is a way to keep your brain in shape. An athlete doesn't expect to perform his best without practice and physical exercise. A musician can't play his best without practice. A driver can't drive a stick shift without some practice. The same philosophy holds true for students. Without “exercising” your brain over the summer, it will begin to atrophy or lose its strength just like any other muscle in your body.

Over the course of the summer you have the opportunity to literally score some points with your English teacher next year simply by exercising your brain and reading some books! Here's the deal...

Attached is a list of books that previous students have enjoyed reading. These are not “school” books but rather books that are considered “leisure” reading. You will not be tested or quizzed on any of these books. Instead, you will be asked to share your experience with the book's content...that is, if you should choose to do so. (You will if you want to score those points mentioned earlier!) Here's how it works:

1. Choose a book from the list.
2. Read it.
3. Fill out the form/log (You must be detailed and specific when filling out the form.)
4. Turn in the form to your teacher next year for points toward your grade\*

It's that simple!

Happy Reading!

~Green Run High School's English Department

\*Please keep in mind that each teacher will determine how much credit these forms will carry, but they have all promised to honor good and detailed work with credit of some kind.