

2021 Suggested Summer Reading Honors 10

"Reading a good book is like taking a journey" ~Emma Gulliford

In the 2021-2022 school year, students in Honors 10 will begin utilizing McGraw-Hill's StudySync curriculum incorporating excerpts and full texts while exploring a variety of themes.

During the summer months, all Honors students are encouraged to read the following text in preparation for English class. Please note that summer reading is NOT required; however, examining the author's style, use of language, and purpose for writing will give you invaluable practice at text analysis.

Throughout your semester in Honors English 10, you will read a variety of novels (full text and excerpts). Honors students will independently read the entirety of Chinua Achebe's *Things Fall Apart*, completing analysis activities for the novel as a class. This novel is part of our StudySync curriculum and will be the focus of Honors English 10 — Unit 1.

***Things Fall Apart*, Chinua Achebe**

"You'll learn about Igboland, a region in modern day Nigeria, prior to the arrival of the British Empire. Achebe tells the story of Okonkwo, an Igbo villager who has worked his way up from life as a sharecropper and become a respected leader in his community. Okonkwo has a tragic fall, and is exiled. And then the trouble starts. British missionaries arrive, and change everything. *Things Fall Apart* has a lot to say about colonization, and even something to say about decolonization" ([Goodreads and Crash Course](#)).