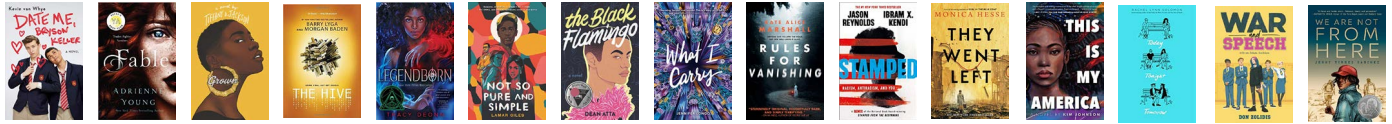


# Plant High School Summer Reading

## ALL ENGLISH CLASSES



The Plant English Faculty recognizes the unusually stressful school year that was 2020-2021. We also recognize the healing and restorative power of literature.

We encourage all of our students to read this summer for fun! To rejuvenate! To be able to participate in discussions and contests and other fun events next school year.

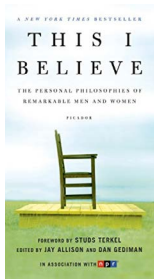
We recommend the Florida Teen Reads book list, chosen by a panel of high school librarians. This list

contains novels intended to spark critical thinking and interest in readers from ages 14-18.

Some titles contain sensitive issues. We want students to read books that are suitable for their interests and comfort levels. Descriptions of the books can be found at <https://www.floridamediaed.org/florida-teens-read.html>.

There is no formal assignment, just an encouragement to read and enjoy it!

## AP LANGUAGE



This I Believe is an international organization engaging people in writing and sharing essays describing the core values that guide their daily lives.

For your summer assignment, you will read and rank (from best to worst) at least twenty essays from the book [This I Believe: The Personal Philosophies of Remarkable Men and Women, compiled by Jay Allison](#).

You are required to read twenty essays – ten that have been designated here for you, and ten of your choice.

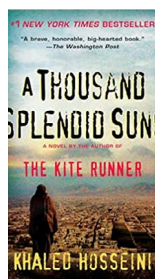
Should you be unable to purchase the assigned book, each essay can be accessed on [thisibelieve.org](http://thisibelieve.org) and you can access the table of contents at <https://search.schlowlibrary.org/Record/208007/TOC>.

Once you have read and ranked (from best to worst) your top twenty essays, write a short paragraph for each of your top ten essays that justifies why the essay is one of your top ten choices. Be specific and use evidence from the text, especially with your favorite.

The following essays are required and will be among the twenty essays you read and rank.

<a href="#">A Goal of Service to Human Kind/Anthony Fauci</a>	<a href="#">A Grown-Up Barbie/Jane Hamill</a>
<a href="#">There Is Such a Thing as Truth/Errol Morris</a>	<a href="#">We are Each Other's Business/Eboo Patel</a>
<a href="#">The America I Believe In/Colin Powell</a>	<a href="#">Growth That Starts from Thinking/Eleanor Roosevelt</a>
<a href="#">My Fellow Worms/Carl Sandburg</a>	<a href="#">There Is No Such Thing As Too Much Barbecue/Jason Sheehan</a>
<a href="#">A Balance Between Nature and Nurture/Gloria Steinem</a>	<a href="#">Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness/Andrew Sullivan</a>

## AP LITERATURE



Read and digest *A Thousand Splendid Suns* by Khaled Hosseini. Be prepared to discuss the book upon returning to school. Your teacher will inform you of the assessment for reading once school begins.