

**10th to 11th Grade Independent Reading List 2009-2010**  
**Carmel High School English Department**

Dear Student,

The books included below are appropriate to the age, understanding and interests of 11th grade readers. Being a fluent and perceptive reader is the key to your success in high school and college. Visit the *Ram Reader* site on the Carmel High school web page and sign up. It takes about one day to be approved. On this site you can read what other students have to say about their independent reading and write about your own reading experiences.

Your high school English teachers encourage you to read at least two new books over the summer. When you return in the fall you may earn extra credit in your English class for being a *Ram Reader* participant. The titles below are suggestions, but you may choose any book that you have not read before. Teenreads.com is an excellent site to find ideas for great books for independent reading.

**Non-fiction:**

**Hitler Youth: Growing Up in Hitler's Shadow**  
**And Still We Rise**  
**Blink**  
**My Everest Story**  
**Garbage Land**

Susan Carol Bartoletti  
Miles Corwin  
Malcolm Gladwell  
Mark Pfetzer and Jack Galvin  
Elizabeth Royte

**Fiction:**

**The China Garden**  
**The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier and Clay**  
**An Abundance of Katherines**  
**Looking for Alaska**  
**The Bleachers**  
**The Painted House**  
**Skipping Christmas**  
**Dune**  
**The Kite Runner**  
**The Eyes of the Dragon**  
**The Girl Who Loved Tom Gordon**  
**The Green Mile**  
**Wicked**  
**The Things They Carried**  
**Beginner's Luck**  
**Define Normal**  
**The Lovely Bones**  
**The Crystal Cave**  
**The Bonesetter's Daughter**  
**100 Secret Senses**  
**White Crosses**  
**Peeps**  
**Gangsta Rap**

Liz Berry  
Michael Chabon  
John Green  
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John Grisham  
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Frank Herbert  
Khaled Hosseini  
Stephen King  
Stephen King  
Stephen King  
Gregory Maguire  
Tim O'Brien  
Laura Pedersen  
Julie Anne Peters  
Alice Sebold  
Mary Stewart  
Amy Tan  
Amy Tan  
Larry Watson  
Scott Westerfield  
Benjamin Zephaniah

