

The books and approximate times in which they will be discussed: (specific dates TBA)

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| 1. <b><i>THE POISONWOOD BIBLE</i></b><br>Barbara Kingsolver   | Reading Check 2 <sup>nd</sup> week of school |
| <b>**This is the only book that MUST be read this summer before school starts. The others are not due until later throughout the year as noted.</b> |  |
| 2. <b><i>HEART OF DARKNESS</i></b><br>Joseph Conrad   | Reading Check: end of 1st 6 weeks            |
| 3. <b><i>CRIME AND PUNISHMENT</i></b><br>Fyodor Dostoevsky  | Reading Check: 2 <sup>nd</sup> 6 weeks       |
| 4. <b><i>THE INFERNO</i></b><br>Dante Alighieri   | Reading Check 3 <sup>rd</sup> 6 weeks        |
| 4. <b><i>INVISIBLE MAN</i></b><br>Ralph Ellison   | Reading Check 4 <sup>th</sup> 6 weeks        |

Essay: DUE 1<sup>st</sup> Day of School

*The Poisonwood Bible* displays a unique arrangement of external and internal conflicts, many of which can never be resolved. Many of these conflicts are often the result of guilt, cowardice or regret. Choose a major conflict within the novel and write a well-developed essay in which you analyze the sources of the conflict, and then explain how the conflict contributes to the overall meaning of the work.

Congo vs. Belgium  
Father vs. Daughter  
Father vs. Congo  
Leah vs. Adah's disease  
Orleana vs. Nathan

Black vs. White  
Spirituality vs. Religion  
Leah vs. Religion  
Mother vs. her conscience

\*\*\*VERY IMPORTANT\*\*\*

If you did not pick up a Summer Packet already, there are copies in the counselor's office throughout the summer. You can also find this information on Mrs. Worley's [homework online](#) or [webpage http://www.midlothian-isd.net/~Lorilyn\\_Worley/](http://www.midlothian-isd.net/~Lorilyn_Worley/) under AP Lit Handouts for additional copies of the letter/handouts including directions for signing in to [NiceNet](#) for online summer reading discussions.