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**Pennridge High School English Department
Summer Reading List
2009-2010**

The members of the English department have compiled a list of fiction and non-fiction books that connects with the literature in **World Literature Honors**. The English teachers believe in **reading widely** and **reading often**.

- **Honors** students will read **Yann Martel's *Life of Pi*** during the summer. ***Life of Pi* must be read by the start of the 09-10 school year.**
- In addition, it is expected that honors-level students read **4 outside reading books** during the course of the school year. Students will receive direction from teachers upon returning to school.
- Finally, the following is a list of suggested titles if you are looking for something to read over the summer. Enjoy!

Cry, the Beloved Country – Alan Paton
Madame Bovary – Gustave Flaubert
Angela's Ashes – Frank McCourt
The Birth of Venus- Sarah Dunant
Daughter of Fortune- Isabel Allende
Columbus in the Americas- William Least Heat-Moon
The Alchemist- Paulo Coelho
Siddhartha- Herman Hesse
The Book Thief by Marcus Zusak
A Place Where the Sea Remembers - Sandra Benitez
A Step from Heaven- An Na
The Dante Club- Matthew Pearl
Come Back to Afghanistan- Said Hyder Akbar
A Thousand Splendid Suns - Khaled Hossieni
Into Thin Air- Jon Krakauer
Nervous Conditions- Tsitsi Dangarembga
Memiors of a Geisha: A Novel – Arthur Golden
Girl with the Pearl Earring – Tracy Chevalier
When the Emperor Was Divine-Julie Otsuka
Any Non-American Author on the New York Times Bestsellers List