



The Calverton School

2026-2027 Summer Work Rising 9th Grade

English Summer Reading

Over the summer, freshmen and juniors will read at least one book from the list below and participate fully in that book's discussion. This will constitute the first grade of the quarter. Students who read more than one book from the list and participate in the requisite book discussions will receive extra credit in English class—one point on the first quarter grade for each book read (up to five), and ¼ point for every book read beyond that.

***Please have students (or parents) email Dr. Joel Coleman by June 30 with the book discussion(s) that you plan to attend. jcoleman@calvertonschool.org

Below are the possible books to choose from and the dates of their discussions. Students should pick a book that is appropriate for their interests and reading level and one that is offered on a date when they can be available for discussion. Once students have signed up for their books, we will decide what time during the day to meet, whether to meet at Calverton (the default location for book discussions) or at another location that better fits the setting of the book (i.e. on St. Leonard Creek for Cannery Row or at Calverton School's wetland property for Great Expectations, for instance), and other logistics.

20 Jul	Crime and Punishment
22 Jul	Poems New and Collected by Ron Rash
24 Jul	God Help the Child
27 Jul	Pachinko
29 Jul	Great Expectations
31 Jul	Only Killers and Thieves
3 Aug	The Sun and her Flowers
5 Aug	Cannery Row
7 Aug	Orhan's Inheritance
10 Aug	Black Swan Green
12 Aug	The Romance of Tristan and Iseult
14 Aug	Shipwrecks
17 Aug	Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close
19 Aug	Feed
21 Aug	Just Show Up