

Killian Hill Christian School
Summer Literature Reading (Rising Grades 9–12)
Extra Credit for the 2026–2027 Academic Year

Purpose

This program encourages students to engage with classic literature over the summer while earning extra credit for the upcoming academic year.

Extra Credit Policy

- Students may earn **10 bank points per book**, up to a maximum of **50 points**.
- Books must be selected from the **designated reading list**.
- Books must be read **during Summer 2026**.

Requirements to Earn Credit

To earn **10 bank points per book**, students must:

1. **Read** a book from the designated list over the summer.
2. **Pass a 10-question multiple choice quiz** with a score of **70% or higher** after school resumes in **August 2026**.
3. **Submit a signed form** verifying the book was read in its entirety during the summer.

Note: Extra credit will **not** be awarded for books not included on the designated reading list.

Bank Point Usage Guidelines

- Students may use **no more than 15 bank points per quarter**.
- Bank points may be applied **only to test grades** (not quizzes, exams, or writing assignments).
- No test score may exceed **100%** after points are applied.
- Any unused bank points are **forfeited at the end of the school year**.

Notes for Students

- Books should be read in their **unabridged** form unless otherwise noted in the assignment list.
- Choose books that appropriately challenge you based on your reading level.
- Ask your teacher if you are unsure which level is best for you.

Designated Reading List – Summer 2026

Students should not select books they have previously read.

Grades 9–10

- *Animal Farm* by George Orwell
- *The Old Man and the Sea* by Ernest Hemingway
- *The Screwtape Letters* by C. S. Lewis
- *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald
- *Frankenstein* by Mary Shelley
- *Dracula* by Bram Stoker
- *The Scarlet Pimpernel* by Emmuska Orczy

Grades 10–11

- *My Ántonia* by Willa Cather
- *The Moonstone* by Wilkie Collins
- *The Vicar of Wakefield* by Oliver Goldsmith
- *The Last of the Mohicans* by James Fenimore Cooper
- *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen
- *Jane Eyre* by Charlotte Brontë

Grades 11–12

- *Wuthering Heights* by Emily Brontë
- *A Tale of Two Cities* by Charles Dickens
- *Surprised by Joy* by C. S. Lewis

Advanced / 2-Book Credit (*)

- *Les Misérables* by Victor Hugo *
(~370 pages, **Matt Larsen abridgement**)
- *The Count of Monte Cristo* by Alexandre Dumas *
(~448 pages, **Dover Publications abridgement**)
- *Ivanhoe* by Sir Walter Scott *
(~500–600 pages)
- *Uncle Tom's Cabin* by Harriet Beecher Stowe *
(~600+ pages)
- *Moby-Dick* by Herman Melville *
(~650–750 pages)
- *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* by Victor Hugo *
(~600+ pages, unabridged)
- *Crime and Punishment* by Fyodor Dostoevsky *
(~650+ pages)

Reading Log

Student Name _____ Student Grade (Fall 2026) _____

Book Title	Date Began	Date Completed	Student Signature	Parent Signature
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				

Students are encouraged to challenge themselves with these works and grow in both comprehension and appreciation of literature.