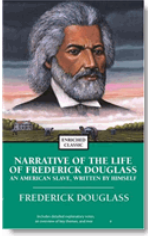


## History Department Summer Reading Assignments

Students should be prepared for an in-class assessment during the first week of school.

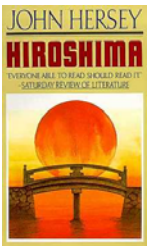
### US I CP 1 and Honors:



#### Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass by Frederick Douglass

Born a slave in 1818 on a plantation in Maryland, Douglass taught himself to read and write. In 1845, seven years after escaping to the North, he published *Narrative*, the first of three autobiographies. This book calmly but dramatically recounts the horrors and the accomplishments of his early years—the daily, casual brutality of the white masters; his painful efforts to educate himself; his decision to find freedom or die; and his harrowing but successful escape. An astonishing orator and a skillful writer, Douglass became a newspaper editor, a political activist, and an eloquent spokesperson for the civil rights of African Americans. He lived through the Civil War, the end of slavery, and the beginning of segregation. He was celebrated internationally as the leading black intellectual of his day, and his story still resonates in ours.

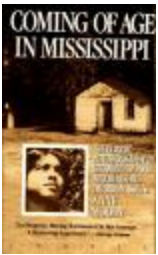
### US II CP1:



#### Hiroshima by John Hersey

Originally written as an article for the *New Yorker* magazine in 1946, John Hersey chronicles the life of six people affected by the dropping of the atomic bomb on the morning of August 6, 1945. Hersey interviewed each character to uncover how an ordinary day can turn into a narrative on the horrors of the new atomic age. He goes back 40 years later to then fill in the gaps on how each person's life had profoundly changed as a result of this event.

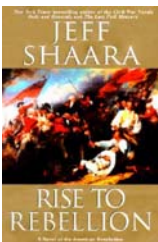
### US II Honors:



#### Coming of Age in Mississippi by Anne Moody

Anne Moody begins with her childhood - houses papered with newspaper, children left alone because parents have to work, her own after-school housecleaning jobs that begin at the age of nine so she can help her family eat. Anne Moody's book, written when she was twenty-eight, is both proof of her convictions and a forthright testament to the sacrifices, terror, and courage that made up the U.S. Civil Rights Movement of the 1960s.

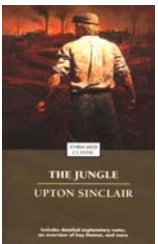
### US I AP:



#### Rise to Rebellion by Jeff Shaara

Acclaimed author Jeff Shaara brilliantly brings to life the American Revolution, creating a superb saga of the men who helped to forge the destiny of a nation - from idealistic attorney John Adams to audacious inventor and philosopher Ben Franklin; from Thomas Gage, the British general given the impossible task of crushing a colonial rebellion, to George Washington, the dashing Virginian who took command of a colonial army. Rise to Rebellion reveals how philosopher became fighters, how ideas became their ammunition, and how a scattered group of colonies became the United States of America.

### US II AP:



#### The Jungle by Upton Sinclair

**Upton Sinclair's** muckraking masterpiece *The Jungle* centers on Jurgis Rudkus, a Lithuanian immigrant working in Chicago's infamous Packingtown. Instead of finding the American Dream, Rudkus and his family inhabit a brutal, soul-crushing urban jungle dominated by greedy bosses, pitiless conmen, and corrupt politicians.

Note: For additional summer reading assignments, students enrolled in **AP Psychology** should see Mr. Brandwein, Ms. MacKinnon, or Ms. Sequenzia. **AP European History** students should see Ms. Galvin, and **AP Government** students should see Mr. Martell or Mr. Young.