

Royal West Academy - Grade 10

2026 Summer Reading List & Instructions

You must read **two** of the following selections:

1984 by George Orwell

Circe by Madeline Miller

Moon of the Crusted Snow by Waubgeshig Rice

Station Eleven by Emily St. John Mandel

The Final Revival of Opal & Nev by Dawnie Walton

The Future by Naomi Alderman

The Picture of Dorian Gray by Oscar Wilde

Students are free to read as many books as they wish from the summer reading list, but are required to read two (2). No other titles may be substituted. Summer reading assessment will cover the first few weeks of September and includes evaluations for multiple competencies.

Students will be expected to: Analyze quotes from the novels, work collaboratively with others on a summer reading project, and share their ideas about the novels both individually and in small groups. Formal instructions for these assignments will be provided at the start of the school year.

IMPORTANT information: All students will be required to complete the **RWA Summer Reading Reflection** upon their return to classes. This activity will take a full period, and students will be individually asked questions intended on allowing them to think critically about both novels and be creative. Detailed instructions will be provided in class at the start of the year.

We encourage students to take notes as they read their Summer Reading novels. Students are invited to consult the **Note Taking Guide**, published alongside our Summer Reading lists, on our school website. Finally, audiobooks can only be used as a support, and are not a replacement for the actual act of reading.

Please note that some of these books have mature themes; we encourage students to consult reviews and/or speak to their teacher to make sure the books they choose to read are a good fit.

Have a great summer and happy reading!