

9th Grade Independent Reading List**Unit 1:**

<i>The Hobbit</i>	by J.R.R. Tolkien
<i>The Horsecatcher</i>	by Mari Sandoz
<i>Apollo 13</i>	by Jim Lovell and Jeffrey Kluger
<i>Woodsong</i>	by Gary Paulsen

Unit 2:

<i>A Tree Grows in Brooklyn</i>	by Betty Smith
<i>American Dragons</i>	by 25 Asian American teenagers
<i>Inside the Walls of Troy</i>	by Clemence McLaren
<i>Black Boy</i>	by Richard Wright

Unit 3:

<i>To Kill a Mockingbird</i>	by Harper Lee
<i>The Circuit</i>	by Francisco Jimenez
<i>Frankenstein</i>	by Mary Shelley
<i>Chinese Cinderella</i>	by Adeline Yen Mah

Unit 4:

<i>Year of Impossible Goodbyes</i>	by Sook Nyol Choi
<i>Things Fall Apart</i>	by Chinua Achebe
<i>Desert Exile</i>	by Yoshidko Uchida
<i>A Stillness at Appomattox</i>	by Bruce Catton

Unit 5:

<i>Holes</i>	by Louis Sachar
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Fair is Fair by Sharon Creedon

Wit and Wisdom by James Thurber

Barefoot Heart by Elva Trevino Hart

Unit 6:

The Little Prince by Antoine Saint-Exupery

The Chosen by Chaim Potok

Death be Not Proud by John Gunther

Living up the Street by Gary Soto

Unit 7:

Talking to the Sun Poems for all times and all places

Poet's Choice Robert Hass editor

You Come Too by Robert Frost

Harvest Poems by Carl Sandburg

Unit 8:

The Members of the Wedding by Carson McCullers

The Time Machine and War of the Worlds by H.G. Wells

The Long Season of Rain by Helen Kim

In Search of Our Mothers' Gardens by Alice Walker

Unit 9:

America Street by Duane Big Eagle

The Caine Mutiny by Herman Wouk

The Endless Steppe by Esther Hautzig

In My Place by Charlayne Hunter-Gault

Unit 10:*The Pearl*

by John Steinbeck

Mythology

by Edith Hamilton

Long Walk to Freedom

by Nelson Mandela

Kon Tiki

by Thor Heyerdahl

Unit 11:*West Side Story*

by Irving Shulman

The Miracle Worker

by William Gibson

A Midsummer Night's Dream

by William Shakespeare

Famous Stories for Performance