

T° BFI, 2023-2024

Below you will find a list of the five books that we will be studying for your OIB over the course of next school year. I suggest ordering them as soon as possible.

PROSE

<i>The Tempest</i>	William Shakespeare	Cambridge University Press; 3e édition (23 janvier 2014)	ISBN-10 : 1107615534
<i>The Picture of Dorian Gray</i>	Oscar Wilde	Harrap's (17 août 2016)	ISBN-10 : 2818704944
<i>Between the World and Me</i>	Ta-Nehisi Coates	Éditeur : One World; 1er édition (5 septembre 2017)	ISBN-10 : 0525510303

To complete the syllabus for the year we will also be studying selected poems by Robert Frost. Copies of these poems will be provided to you when the school year begins.

It is easier for you if you have the same edition of the book as presented on this list; page numbers and such. Careful if/when purchasing books abroad – they are often different.

Read through **ALL** of the works on the syllabus over the summer. You will need to read them several times over the course of the year in order to have the required understanding of each. Take advantage of your summer, you will thank yourself later.



At the rentrée, expect a reading test on all three of these works AND on THINGS FALL APART which we read at the end of Premiere and did not completely finish together. Use this as an opportunity also to organize your notes and review them from last year (Handmaid's Tale, Love in the Time of Cholera, Sweet Bird, Intimate Apparel) because you will continue to be tested on all of these works throughout the year in preparation for your BFI exams.

TIPS FOR READING:

- Buy a copy of each book and WRITE IN IT. I know this sounds scary, but it's good for you. Come up with your own notation system. For example: circle words you don't know, underline quotations that you like, « star » important passages, put « question marks » next to passages you don't understand. Use different colors. INTERACTING with your book will help you to understand it.
- You may want to use an audio version of the book to help you get started (and read along)--like those available on audible.com.
- Do NOT look up every single word you do not know in the dictionary. You will become too overwhelmed. Read first for basic understanding, and mark down (underline, mark the page) the words you don't know. Try to guess the meanings of the words based on the context, and if you can't MOVE ON. When you have finished a chapter, go back and look up a few of the words you marked (not ALL of them!).
- DO NOT watch a movie version of the book. I repeat, DO NOT. If you are having trouble understanding, look up a summary of the book to give you an idea of what you are looking at, but do not rely on the internet/films to understand. If YOU do not do the work to understand, there is no way you will succeed.

Happy reading in the sunshine this summer!
YOU CAN DO THIS!!

Miss. Carpenzano