# Florida B.E.S.T Standards: English Language Arts

## **Suggested Reading List**

## 9th Grade:

- 1984 by George Orwell
- Antigone by Jean Anouilh
- *Antigone* by Sophocles
- Democracy in America by Alexis de Tocqueville
- *Electra* by Sophocles
- *Medea* by Euripides
- Old Greek Stories by James Baldwin
- Romeo and Juliet by William Shakespeare
- *The Aeneid* by Virgil
- The Death of Ivan Ilyich by Leo Tolstoy
- The Epic of Gilgamesh by Unknown
- The Hero with a Thousand Faces by Joseph Campbell
- *The Iliad* by Homer
- *The Odyssey* by Homer
- The Prince by Niccolai Machiavelli
- Unbroken by Laura Hillenbrand

#### 10th Grade:

- A Tale of Two Cities by Charles Dickens
- Common Sense by Thomas Paine
- Cry, The Beloved Country by Alan Paton
- Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradburry
- Frankenstein by Mary Shelley
- Lord of the Flies by William Golding
- *Macbeth* by William Shakespeare
- Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck
- Pygmalion by George Bernard Shaw
- The Autobiography of an Ex-Colored Man by James Weldon Johnson
- The Crucible by Arthur Miller
- The Piano Lesson by August Wilson
- The Red Badge of Courage by Stephen Crane
- The Scarlet Letter by Nathaniel Hawthorne
- The Souls of Black Folks by W.E.B DuBois
- Uncle Tom's Cabin by Harriet Beecher Stowe
- *Up from Slavery* by Booker T. Washington

## 11th Grade:

- Are Women People? by Alice Miller
- Billy Budd by Herman Melville
- Canterbury Tales by Geoffrey Chaucer
- Confessions of St. Augustine by Augustine of Hippo
- Dante's Inferno by Dante Alighieri
- Discourse on Method by Rene Descartes
- Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte
- Julius Caesar by William Shakespeare
- One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich by Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn
- The Dreamer by Pam Munoz Ryan
- The Federalist Papers by Alexander Hamilton, James Madison, and John Jay
- The First Philippics of Cicero again Marcus Antonius by Cicero
- The Spirit of Laws by Montesquieu
- The Surrender Tree by Margarita Engle
- Two Treatises of Government by John Locke
- Walden by Henry David Thoreau

# 12th Grade:

- Crime and Punishment by Fyodor Dostoevsky
- *Don Quixote* by Miguel de Cervantes
- Flatland: A Roman of Many Dimensions by Edwin A. Abbott
- Hamlet by William Shakespeare
- Heart of Darkness by Joseph Conrad
- King Lear by William Shakespeare
- Life of Julius Caesar by Plutarch
- Longitude: The True Story of a Lone Genius Who Solved the Greatest Scientific Problem of His Time by Dava Sobel
- Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen
- The Republic by Plato
- The Twelve Caesars by Suetonius
- *Utopia* by Thomas More