

**Barry Goldwater High School**  
**IB English HL 7-8**  
**Summer Assignment**  
**2021**

Welcome to the IB Language and Literature course. The BGHS Language Arts Department requires summer reading assignments for all of the advanced levels. We highly suggest you purchase your own copy of the novel to take notes in and use for essays and tests. You may find the books at libraries, bookstores, or online. The mandatory selection for IB English is **ONE** of the following (that you have NOT previously read).

*Purple Hibiscus* by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie  
*Ceremony* by Leslie Marmon Silko  
*Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Zora Neale Hurston  
*House of Spirits* by Isabel Allende  
*The Poisonwood Bible* by Barbara Kingsolver  
*Between the World and Me* Ta-Nehisi Coates (n.f.)

Listed below are other selections that will be read and analyzed over the 2-year Language and Literature course. Note that all the texts from the course will be options for you to use on various assessment components for IB English. We will also be integrating our study of language through speeches, photographs, podcasts, advertisements, TV shows, etc. All of this material will be provided for you throughout the school year.

**Senior Year:**

Giovanni	<i>The Collected Poetry of Nikki Giovanni: 1968-1998</i>
Wilson	<i>Fences</i>
Aidoo	<i>Anowa</i>
Shakespeare	<i>Hamlet</i>

For further information, you may visit the BGHS web page at [www.bghs.dvusd.org](http://www.bghs.dvusd.org). This site links to “My Teacher Index,” or visit the district web site at [www.dvusd.org](http://www.dvusd.org). This site links to IB. Feel free to email us with any questions.

Sincerely,

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## IB English Summer Reading Activity

Tasks to be Completed	Resources
1. Read the entirety of the novel. Take notes on character development, motifs, and themes as you read.	Feel free to utilize sticky notes, graphic organizers, and/or notes to document these literary elements.