



All rising **English III General** students are required
to read the one book listed below.

All rising **English III Honors** students must read
two books (one required and one student choice).

Required for all rising English III General students:

***Soldier's Heart* by Gary Paulsen © 1998 (104 pages)**

This is the story of the enlistment and service of the boy Charley Goddard in the First Minnesota Volunteers; a novel of the Civil War.

Required for all rising English III Honors students:

***A Land Remembered* by Patrick Smith © 1984 (403 pages)**

This novel covers 110 years of Florida history, 1863 - 1968, as seen through the eyes of several generations of a pioneer family. The book takes readers on a journey through the events, people, and places that shaped Florida's history. This historical fiction book has been voted **BEST FLORIDA BOOK** for 10 years in a row and is also the winner of the Florida Historical Society's Prize as the Most Outstanding Florida Historical Novel. This book has become Florida's favorite novel.

***Students will take an objective/essay test on this book when they return to school in August. NO book or study notes will be allowed for testing!

Students in **English III Honors** must read *A Land Remembered* and also **select one additional book** to read from the following list:

****Parental involvement in student selections is expected****

Choices for summer reading 2013 include (choose ONE):

***Gym Candy* by Carl Deuker © 2007**

Mick Johnson works hard for a placement on the varsity team during his freshman year, and decides to use steroids in order to hold onto his edge, despite the consequences to his health and social life. Florida Teens Read Book 2009-2010

***A Lesson before Dying* by Ernest J. Gaines © 1994**

This multiple award winning book tells the story of a young African-American man sentenced to death for a murder he did not commit, and a teacher who tries to impart to the convicted youth his own learning and pride before the execution.

***Unwind* by Neal Shusterman © 2007**

Three teens embark upon a cross-country journey in order to escape from a society that salvages body parts from children ages thirteen to eighteen. A multiple award winner including a Florida Teens Read Book 2009-2010.

***The Glass Castle* by Jeannette Walls © 2005**

The author recalls her life growing up in a dysfunctional family with an alcoholic father and distant mother and describes how she and her siblings had to fend for themselves until they finally found the resources and will to leave home.