



Chestnut Grove Academy

6th Form
Wider Reading
Lists for A-Level Subjects

The more that you read,
the more things you will know.
The more that you learn,
the more places you'll go.

Dr. Seuss



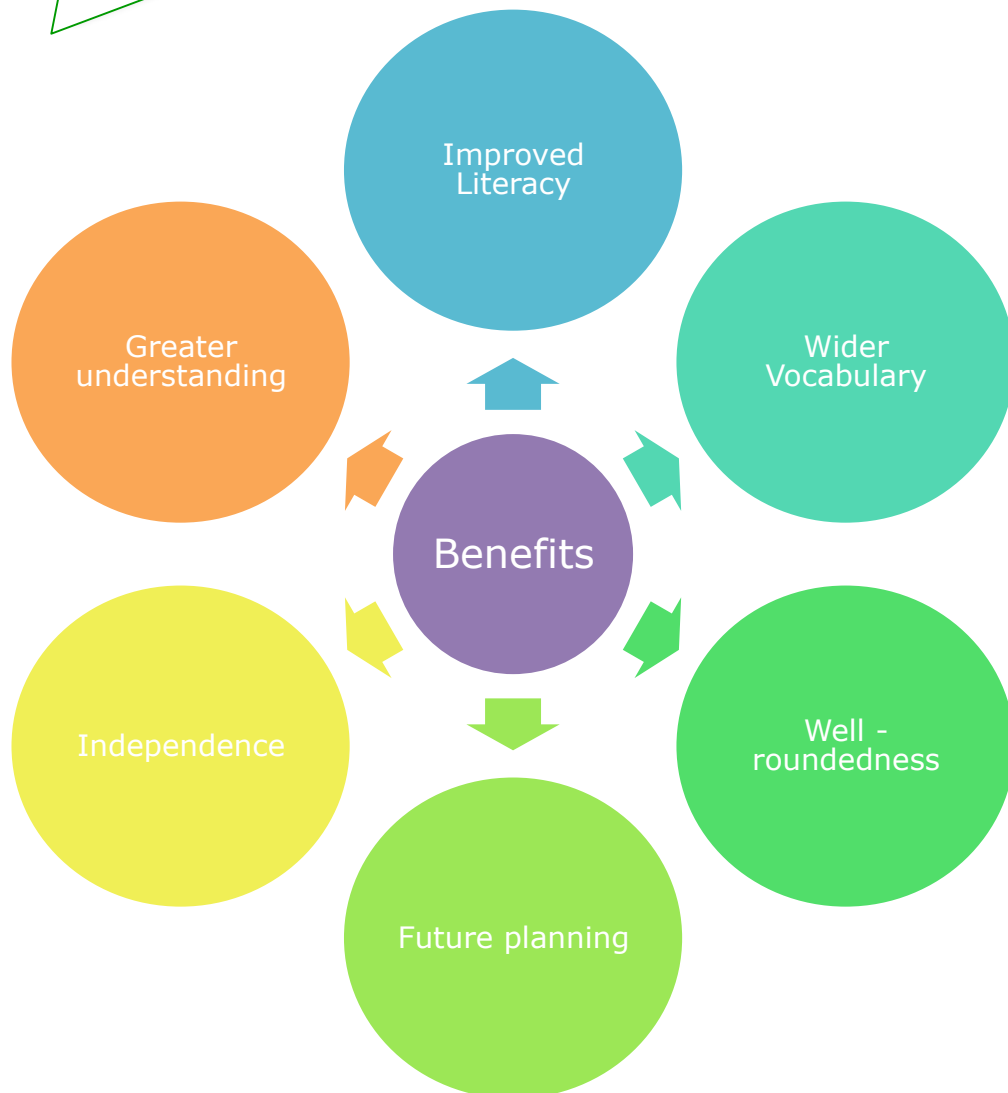
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Mr Taylor, Head of 6th Form

"At Chestnut Grove we are proud of our students' achievements. Our moral purpose is to foster a life-long love of learning, to stimulate intellectual curiosity and to develop independence within our student body. We achieve this through exceptional teaching and learning opportunities both within and *beyond* the classroom."



What should you do now?

Reading lists for each A-Level subject are issued in this pack.

- It should be stressed that these lists are in no way exhaustive, students should seek to branch out from these suggestions in order to follow their own interests and passions.

Inspirational Reading

- Year 11 could use these titles to help with A-Level choices.
- Year 12 must read if studying this subject at A-Level.
- These titles may be available in the library for you to borrow!

Aspirational Reading

- Year 12 Gifted & Talented students are strongly recommended to read these titles if studying this subject at A-Level.
- Year 12 and 13 students should read these titles if considering studying this subject further at university. They look excellent on UCAS statements.

Transpirational Reading

- Year 13 Gifted & Talented students are strongly recommended to read these titles if studying this subject at A-Level.
- Year 12 and 13 students should read these titles if considering studying this subject further at university. They look excellent on UCAS statements.

Art

Inspirational Reading

- Andy Goldsworth: Sculpture 1976–1990, *Friedman*
- Richard Long: Walking The Line, *Moorhouse*
- Picture This Century, *Woolf*

Aspirational Reading

- Wall And Piece Century, *Banksy*
- Art In Context, *Hobbs*
- Rembrandt's Eyes, *Schama*

Transpirational Reading

- Secret Knowledge, *Hockney*
- Eye Witness Art: Perspective, *Cole*
- Understanding Installation Art: From Duchamp To Holzer, *Rosenthal*

Biology

Inspirational Reading

- The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks, *Skloot*
- The Double Helix: Personal Account of the Discovery of the Structure of DNA, *Watson*
- Francis Crick: Discoverer of the Genetic Code, *Ridley*

Aspirational Reading

- Nature Via Nurture: Genes, Experience and What Makes Us Human, *Ridley*
- The Selfish Gene, *Dawkins*
- The Origin of Species, *Darwin*

Transpirational Reading

- The God Delusion, *Dawkins*
- Unnatural Selection, *Hvistendahl*
- Regeneration, *Church*

Chemistry

Inspirational Reading

- Bad Science, *Goldacre*
- Periodic Tales: The Curious Lives of the Elements, *Aldersey-Williams*
- The Disappearing Spoon, *Kean*

Aspirational Reading

- Foundations of Inorganic Chemistry, *Oxford Chemistry Primers*
- Foundations of Organic Chemistry, *Oxford Chemistry Primers*
- Foundations of Physical Chemistry, *Oxford Chemistry Primers*

Transpirational Reading

- Physical Chemistry, *Atkins*
- Inorganic Chemistry, *Shriver and Atkins*

Design Technology

Inspirational Reading

- AQA Design and Technology : Product Design (3-D Design) AS/A2, *Oxford*
- Making It: Manufacturing Techniques for Product Design, *Lefteri*

Aspirational Reading

- The Toaster Project, *Thwaites*
- Sustainable Materials, Processes and Production (The Manufacturing Guides), *Thompson*
- Engineering A Level: Compulsory Units for AS and A Level Engineering, *Tooley*

Transpirational Reading

- Manufacturing Processes for Design Professionals, *Thompson*
- Engineering Science: For Foundation Degree and Higher National, *Tooley and Dingle*

English

Inspirational Reading

- *Brave New World, Huxley*
- *The Glass Menagerie, Williams*
- *Wuthering Heights, Bronte*

Aspirational Reading

- *Things Fall Apart, Achebe*
- *Alias Grace, Atwood*
- *100 Prized Poems: Twenty-Five Years of Forward Books, Hughes and Heaney*

Transpirational Reading

- *Julius Caesar, Shakespeare*
- *Beloved, Morrison*
- *The Sound and the Fury, Faulkner*

French

Inspirational Reading

- Phosphore, French magazine for lycée students
- *Le Petit Prince*, *Saint-Exupéry*
- *Paroles*, *Prévert*

Aspirational Reading

- *L'Étranger*, *Camus*
- *Candide*, *Voltaire*
- *No et Moi*, *Delphine de Vigan*
- *Kiffe Kiffe Demain*, *Guène*

Transpirational Reading

- *Madame Bovary*, *Flaubert*
- *Le Misanthrope*, *Molière*
- *La Parure* (The Necklace), *de Maupassant*

Geography

Inspirational Reading

- National Geographic Magazine
- Making Development Geography, *Lawson*
- Earth – The Power of the Planet, *Stewart and Lynch*

Aspirational Reading

- Royal Geographical Society
- Green Development: environment and sustainability in the Third World, *Adams*
- An Inconvenient Truth, *Gore*

Transpirational Reading

- A Globalizing world? Culture, Economics, Politics, *Held*
- Touching the Void, *Simpson*
- Cool it: The sceptical environmentalist's guide to global warming, *Lomborg*

History

Inspirational Reading

- *A Concise History of the United States of America, Grant*
- *A History of Modern Britain, Marr*
- *The Changing Nature of Warfare, Browning*

Aspirational Reading

- *Sapiens: A Brief History of Humankind, Harari*
- *The Road to Wigan Pier, Orwell*
- *On the Road, Kerouac*

Transpirational Reading

- *The Age of Extremes: 1914-91, Hobsbawm*
- *The Communist Manifest, Marx*
- *The Feminine Mystique, Friedan*

Maths

Inspirational Reading

- Alex's Adventures in Numberland, *Bellos*
- Fermat's Last Theorem, *Singh*
- What If, *Munroe*

Aspirational Reading

- Numbers and Proofs, *Allenby*
- Zero: The Nothing That Is, *Kaplan*

Transpirational Reading

- How Not to be Wrong, *Ellenberg*
- The Art of the Infinite, *Kaplan and Kaplan*

Media and Film Studies

Inspirational Reading

- Introduction to Film Studies 5th Edition, *Nelmes*
- Fish Tank (Film)
- My Brother the Devil (Film)
- Kick Ass (Film)
- Hot Fuzz (Film)
- The Kid (Film)

Aspirational Reading

- Beginning Theory, *Barry*
- La Haine (Film)
- A Prophet (Film)
- Scott Pilgrim vs the World (Film)
- Pulp Fiction (Film)
- The General (Film)

Transpirational Reading

- The Cinema Book, *Cook*
- City of God (Film)
- Ammores Perros (Film)
- Raging Bull (Film)
- Battleship Potemkin (Film)

Music

Inspirational Reading

- A History of Western Music, *Pauly, Palisa and Grout*
- History of music, *Bennett*
- The Story of Music, *Goodall*

Aspirational Reading

- History of Music in Sound, *Rhinegold*
- Music in the Baroque Period, *Pauly*
- Music in the Classical Period, *Palisca*

Transpirational Reading

- Modern Music, *Griffiths*
- Popular Music, *Cripps*
- The Oxford Book of Harmony (Sections on 4 part harmonisation),
Butterworth

Philosophy, Beliefs and Ethics

Inspirational Reading

- Edexcel GCSE Religious Studies Unit 1A: Religion and Life - Christianity & Islam Student Book, *Tyler and Reid*
- Edexcel GCSE Religious Studies Unit 8B: Religion and Society - Christianity & Islam Student Book, *Tyler and Reid*
- Thinker's guide to God, *Vardy and Arliss*

Aspirational Reading

- Humanism: A Beginner's Guide (Beginner's Guides), *Cave*
- Philosophy of Religion: The Big Questions, *Stump and Murray*
- Reason and Religious Belief, *Peterson, Hasker, Reichenbach and Basinger*
- The Puzzle of God, *Vardy*

Transpirational Reading

- The God Delusion, *Dawkins*
- The Greatest Show on Earth: The Evidence for Evolution, *Dawkins*
- An Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion (3rd edition), *Davies*
- The Miracle of Theism, *Mackie*
- The Evolution of the Soul Revised Edition, *Swinburne*

Performing Arts

Inspirational Reading

- *A Doll's House, Ibsen*
- *Strike Up the Band; a New History of Musical Theatre, Miller*
- *Musical theatre, a History, Kenrick*

Aspirational Reading

- *An actor Prepares, Stanislavski*
- *Brecht on Theatre, Brecht*

Transpirational Reading

- *An Actor's Work, Stanislavski*
- *Any play by Chekov*

Physics

Inspirational Reading

- Seven Brief Lessons in Physics, Rovelli
- Six Easy Pieces, Feynman
- The Universe in a Nutshell, Hawking

Aspirational Reading

- A Brief History of Time, Hawking
- Six Not so Easy Pieces, Feynman
- Forces of Nature, Cox

Transpirational Reading

- In Search Of Schrodinger's Cat: Updated Edition by John Gribbin
- The Elegant Universe Brian Greene
- The Road to Reality - Rodger Penrose

Psychology

Inspirational Reading

- The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time, *Haddon*
- Psychology in Football, *Nesti*
- We Need to Talk about Kevin, *Shriver*

Aspirational Reading

- The Black Swan: The Impact of the Highly Improbable, *Taleb*
- The Blank Slate, *Pinker*
- Without Conscience: The Disturbing World of the Psychopaths Among Us, *Hare*

Transpirational Reading

- Working Memory, Thought and Action, *Baddeley*
- The Lucifer Effect, *Zimbardo*
- Obedience to Authority, *Milgram*

Spanish

Inspirational Reading

- Bodas de Sangre, *García Lorca*
- La Casa de Bernarda Alba, *García Lorca*
- Modelos de Mujer, *Grandes*

Aspirational Reading

- Como Agua Para Chocolate, *Esquivel*
- La Casa de Los Espíritus, *Allende*
- Ficciones, *Borges*

Transpirational Reading

- Nada, *Laforet*
- Eva Luna, *Allende*
- Crónica de Una Muerte Anunciada, *García Márquez*