



SECONDE INTERNATIONALE LYCEE DE LA COTIERE

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Dear students,

Welcome to the International Section! We can't wait to meet you all in just a few months now.

Below is the list of books that you will study in *Seconde Internationale* over the year.

Author	Title	Edition	What to do with the book?
Lois Lowry	<i>The Giver</i>	Harper Collins Children's Books EAN 9780007578498	Compulsory reading over the Summer , will be studied in class
Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie	<i>The Thing Around Your Neck</i>	Not so classic short, Belin Education EAN 9791035837129 Compulsory edition	Please do not read it in the Summer , will be studied in class
John Steinbeck	<i>Of Mice and Men</i>	Not So Classic Belin Education, EAN 9791035810290 Compulsory edition	Should be bought before the Autumn break, will be studied in class. Please do not read it this Summer.
William Shakespeare	<i>Romeo and Juliet</i>	Oxford School Shakespeare ISBN : 978-0198321668	Should be bought before the end of year break, will be studied in class. Please do not read it this Summer.

Please get the specified editions whenever possible. A minimum of five works will be read and studied this year. A work schedule will be given to you in September so that you can read your books. By the end of the year, you will have read and studied at least:

- a book of fiction
- a non-fiction work
- a selection of poems
- one Shakespeare play
- one modern American play

Items to purchase:

- A 100-page copybook
- A notebook (free format) to take notes when reading (= *carnet de lecture*)
- The above list of books

Recommended Summer readings:

Feel free to read for pleasure as well. Remember, reading is also a great way to improve your writing skills.

Sandra Cisneros, *The House on Mango Street*, 1984 (set in Chicago; easy-to-read with short chapters)

Angie Thomas, *The Hate U Give*, 2017 (Afro-American urban life, relationship, Black Lives Matter)

Scott Fitzgerald, *The Great Gatsby*, 1925 (wealth, status and the American Dream)

George Orwell, *Animal Farm*, 1945 (a political satire starring farm animals)

Yann Martel, *The Life of Pi*, 2001 (a boy and a tiger on a boat in the middle of the ocean)

Sites to visit to find out more about other works and topics to suit everyone's tastes :

-e-books and audiobooks: <https://gutenberg.org/>

-podcasts radios: BBC Sounds - Podcasts , NPR Podcasts & Shows : NPR , Canadian Broadcasting Corporation: CBC radio

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