

## American Literature Book Choices

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions:** Throughout the year you will be reading two novels of your choice from this list. Be aware that these novels are different reading levels. Below you will find a list of engaging novels that represent a variety of genres. You will choose four from the list that you are interested in reading. **Write a number (1-4) next to your first four choices for your final book projects.** Number them in the order you prefer. I will go over your book choices with you in person and **we will decide which two are best for you.** You will read one of those books in the fall and one in the spring. A project will be assigned to accompany the book as you get closer to completing your novel. While I endeavor to choose books that are representative of appropriate content, age level, and maturity, **I recommend each family research the suggested selections.** You may find sites such as [www.squeakycleanreviews.com](http://www.squeakycleanreviews.com), [www.pluggedin.com](http://www.pluggedin.com), and [www.commonsemmedia.com](http://www.commonsemmedia.com) helpful as you discern the best publication for you. Also, **please choose a book that you have never read nor watched the movie that depicts the story.** I encourage you to watch the movie, if one was made for your book and with parent approval, **after you have read your book and done your presentation.** **Please return your numbered choices along with a parent signature to me by Friday, October 6, 2023.**

<i>Tuesdays With Morrie</i>	Albom, Mitch
<i>Little Women</i>	Alcott, Louisa May
<i>Good Wives</i>	
<i>Little Men</i>	
<i>Tarzan of the Apes</i>	Burroughs, Edgar Rice
<i>Johnny Tremain</i>	Forbes, Esther
<i>Old Yeller</i>	Gipson, Fred
<i>Starship Troopers</i>	Heinlein, Robert
<i>The Old Man and the Sea</i>	Hemingway, Ernest
<i>Misty of Chincoteague</i>	Henry, Marguerite
<i>A Separate Peace</i>	Knowles, John
<i>A Wrinkle in Time</i>	L'Engle, Madeline

<i>The Call of the Wild</i>	London, Jack
<i>White Fang</i>	
<i>Billy Bud</i>	
<i>Moby Dick</i>	Melville, Herman
<i>The Chosen</i> (not related to the TV series)	Potok, Chaim
<i>The Yearling</i>	Rawlings, Marjorie Kinnan
<i>Where the Red Fern Grows</i>	Rawls, Wilson
<i>The Bronze Bow</i>	Speare, Elizabeth
<i>Uncle Tom's Cabin</i>	Stowe, Harriet Beecher
<i>Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry</i>	Taylor, Mildred
<i>A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court</i>	Twain, Mark
<i>Huckleberry Finn</i>	
<i>The Adventures of Tom Sawyer</i>	
<i>The Prince and the Pauper</i>	
Any of the <i>Little House</i> series books	Wilder, Laura Ingalls
(List title here: _____)	
<i>Dragon's Gate</i>	Yep, Laurence

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_