

English Department | Summer Reading 2022-2023

- Grades 9 and 10 WS and CP do not have required summer reading. Suggested books are on page 2, however.
- Grade 11 will have summer reading, as the play will be used for their first research paper.
- Grade 12 CP will not have summer reading but will write a draft for their college app. essay (see below directions) Book choices are on page two (2) of the document.

The purpose of reading the book is:

- To enjoy exposure to a novel that will inspire you.
- To encourage your understanding and love of Christian values.
- To explore literature together and to learn more about each other through the process.
- To expand your insights into the human situation and increase your awareness of the world.

Upon your return to classes in August:

Grades 9 & 11 Honors/AP & Grade 11CP

- 1. Please bring a copy of your annotated novel/novels (see notes on pages 3 & 4 for basic annotation guidelines) to class on the first day for immediate sharing and discussion.
 - Expect, based on the book, a writing assignment, class activities, and a creative project to be assigned the beginning week of school.

Grade 10 Honors

1. 10 Honors is not annotating, but you will have an assessment and complete a writing task over *Great Expectations* upon your return to school.

Grade 12

- 1. AP LIT: Please bring a copy of your annotated novel/novels (see notes on pages 3 & 4 for basic annotation guidelines) to class on the first day for immediate sharing and discussion.
 - Expect, based on the book, a writing assignment, class activities, and a creative project to be assigned the beginning week of school.
- 2. CP: You must write a rough draft of your college application essay and have it with you the day you return to class in August.

Grade	College Prep with Support	College Prep	College Prep Honors/AP
9	(11291)	(11691)	(11891)
	No summer reading	No summer reading	<i>Circe</i>
	But if you're looking for	But if you're looking for	by Miller
	some great summer	some great summer	You must purchase a
	reads, check out <u>this list</u> .	reads, check out <u>this list</u> .	physical, unused copy.
10	(12291)	(12691)	(12891)
	No summer reading	No summer reading	<i>Great Expectations</i> by
	But if you're looking for	But if you're looking for	Dickens
	some great summer	some great summer	You must purchase a
	reads, check out <u>this list</u> .	reads, check out <u>this list</u> .	physical, unused copy.
11		(14691) <i>A Raisin in the Sun</i> by Hansberry You must purchase a physical, unused copy.	(14891) <i>Ethan Frome</i> by Wharton and <i>Between the World and Me</i> by Coates You must purchase physical, unused copies.

2022-2023 ENGLISH DEPARTMENT SUMMER READING SELECTIONS

12	(All CP courses) No summer reading but College application essay rough draft due on first day of school: <u>follow</u> <u>these directions</u>	(18991) Things Fall Apart by Achebe and How to Read Literature Like a Professor (2014) by Foster
	College App Essay Rubric	You must purchase physical, unused copies.

TIPS ON ACTIVE READING! (ANNOTATING)

Reading closely and actively will help you to better understand the texts you encounter. You will use this skill throughout your life to make sense of what you read. Good readers (at all levels) use these strategies.

Here are some tips. <u>Here</u> is a link to a sample annotation page.

- 1. <u>Underline or highlight</u> any VOCABULARY words you do not know. Look up these words and *write the definition* in the margin.
- 2. Note CHARACTER DESCRIPTIONS as you are reading. Each time a *new character* is introduced, highlight his/her name, and then *underline descriptions* of those characters.
- 3. *Analyze* TITLES while you read. Try to *predict* why the author named a novel what he/she did. At the end of the novel, go back and try to determine the *reason for the choice of title*. Write these observations on the book's title page.
- 4. Identify passages that relate to a MAIN IDEA or THEME of the book. Also, write a word or two in the margin to *summarize* what that main idea or theme is.
- 5. Identify and explain the significance of figurative language, including:
 - Similes: comparing two unrelated things using "like," "as," or "than"
 - Example: She is as busy as a bee.
 - Metaphors: comparing two things *without* using "like," "as," or "than"
 - Example: She is a busy bee.
 - Personification: Giving a human-like quality to nonhuman things
 - Example: Lightning danced across the sky.
 - Hyperbole: extreme exaggeration

- Onomatopoeia: A word that imitates the sound associated with it
 - Example: The bacon sizzled on the frying pan.
- Imagery: Descriptive language that appeals to any of the 5 senses
 - \circ The clouds surrounding the sunset were edged with pink and gold.