

English 10 Honors 2016-2017 Summer Reading



Welcome to the English 10 Honors program! We are excited that you have decided to take this electrifying literature and composition course.

Overview:

This honors class is an intensive study of American and world literature, nonfiction, and the writing process. In this class, you will continue to develop your critical and analytical reading skills as you increase your understanding of the writing process. By the end of the year, our goal is for you to be prepared for the junior AP Language course, fully equipped with the necessary critical thinking skills that will lead to success in your academic and vocational lives.

Summer Reading Assignment:

One of the expectations, if you are in honors and AP English classes, is that you thoughtfully complete the required summer reading assignment. Therefore, in preparation for next fall's English 10 Honors class, we are asking you to complete the following assignment:

Please read, annotate, and analyze each of the four attached short stories in preparation for a discussion on the first day of class:

- ❖ "A & P" by John Updike
- ❖ "A Clean Well-Lighted Place" by Ernest Hemingway
- ❖ "The Story of an Hour" by Kate Chopin
- ❖ "Girl" by Jamaica Kincaid

As you read, take copious notes on the following literary techniques. These notes will be collected on the first day of class.

- character
- conflict
- plot
- setting
- symbolism
- point of view
- tone/mood
- motif/theme

We are excited for invigorating discussions, intriguing insights, and intellectual exploration!

Happy Reading!

Ms. Gustafson
Mrs. Melton

*"Those who don't read have no advantage over those who can't."
~Mark Twain*