

English II Summer Reading 2019 - 2020



Howdy Soon-to-Be Sophomores,

Harry Potter author J.K. Rowling once stated, “If you don’t like to read, you haven’t found the right book.” Our challenge to you this summer is to find that book (or books!).

When we return to school in August, you will be expected to write about and discuss your reading with your classmates.

As you read your book,

- think about what you would want to say about this book to tell someone else about it without telling the whole story, and
- read with a “pencil” in hand:
 - highlight/underline specific parts of the book that stand out to you
 - make notes in the margins (either directly on the page or on a Post-It note) about something you want to comment on - what seems interesting? unusual? funny? surprising?

Before you pick a book to read this summer, ask yourself these questions:

- What are you doing this summer for fun? Watching T.V.? Playing sports? Visiting foreign places? Playing video games?
- What are some of your hobbies/passions?
- What are things you would read about, or watch videos about, even if you never had to go to school again?
- Who are some people that you admire?
- What are some places that you’ve visited that you’d love to go back to?

Now, the only real requirement for your summer reading is that you **pick a book about something that you are interested in.**

Your book can be fiction or nonfiction. It doesn’t matter whether it’s a biography or a graphic novel. The only requirements are:

1. You are **truly interested** in the book
2. That it is **at least 200 pages in length.**

Would you like some suggestions?

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Of course there are WAY more options than the ones we’ve included here, so feel free to do some exploring! It is better that you preview the book and find that you are interested in it instead of just picking one from a list. And if the book contains mature content, make sure you get your parent’s approval.

Again, please make sure that you read something you are truly interested in. if you start a book and find it boring--switch books! We hope you have a wonderful summer and we look forward to spending an enriching year with you.

If you have any questions about the assignment, you can email our English II teachers - Mrs. Fifield at affield@eanesisd.net or Mr. Phillips at cphillips2@eanesisd.net . You may also email the Instructional Partner for Humanities, Mrs. Taylor, at vtaylor@eanesisd.net.