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**SUMMER**  
**READING**



**2022**

# HS SUMMER READING 2022

## ENGLISH 1 COLLEGE PREP SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT

Welcome to English I College Prep! Directions for your summer reading assignment are noted below. If you have any questions, please contact Miss Noelle Moran ([noellemoran@hgchristian.org](mailto:noellemoran@hgchristian.org)).

### Purpose of Summer Reading:

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**The summer reading assignment is due at 11:59 PM on August 21, 2022, regardless of which semester you are enrolled for English.**

**Assigned book:** Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde  
**Edition:** ISBN 978-1678625733

Robert Louis Stevenson

Dr Jekyll is a kind, well-respected and intelligent scientist who meddles with the darker side of science, as he wants to bring out his “second” nature. He does this through transforming himself into Mr Hyde, his evil alter ego who does not repent or accept responsibility for his evil crimes and ways. Jekyll tries to control his alter ego, Hyde, and for a while, Jekyll has the power. However, ultimately, Hyde takes over and the result is...



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## ENGLISH 1 HONORS SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT

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**Assigned book:** *Romeo & Juliet* William Shakespeare

**Edition:** No Fear Shakespeare Romeo and Juliet Deluxe Student Edition ISBN: 978-1-4114-7971-5

***Romeo and Juliet***, a tragedy written by William Shakespeare early in his career, tells of an age-old vendetta between two powerful families that erupts into bloodshed. A young lovesick Romeo Montague falls instantly in love with Juliet Capulet. Their marriage, hastily arranged, ends in tragedy. The deaths of the two young Italian star-crossed lovers ultimately reconciles their feuding families.

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## ENGLISH 2 SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT

Welcome to English II! Directions for your summer reading assignment are noted below. If you have any questions, please contact Miss Noelle Moran ([noellemoran@hgchristian.org](mailto:noellemoran@hgchristian.org)).

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**Assigned book:** Frankenstein, or The Modern Prometheus by Mary Shelley  
ISBN for the preferred copy is 978-0486282114.

Written by 18-year-old Mary Shelley, and first published in 1818, Frankenstein tells the story of gifted scientist Victor Frankenstein who succeeds in giving life to a being of his own creation. However, this is not the perfect specimen he imagines that it will be, but rather a hideous creature who is rejected by Victor and mankind in general. The book is a tale of murder and terror as the creature seeks its revenge.

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## ENGLISH 3 SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT

Welcome to English III! The directions for your summer reading and written assignment are noted below. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Davidson ([katiedavidson@hgchristian.org](mailto:katiedavidson@hgchristian.org)).

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**Assigned book:** *Our Town* by Thornton Wilder  
(Any text-based version of the play is acceptable)

Published in 1938, Thornton Wilder’s *Our Town* won the 1938 Pulitzer Prize for Drama and depicts the everyday life of the residents of Grover’s Corners. One unique aspect of the three-act play is that it breaks the fourth wall and allows some of the characters to connect and communicate directly with the audience. The play explores themes related to life and community and the importance of appreciating what one has before it’s lost. *Our Town* is considered an American classic and is still enjoyed by readers and audiences today.

## ENGLISH 4 SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT

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**Assigned play:** “Hamlet”

William Shakespeare

Edition: No Fear Shakespeare Hamlet

Deluxe Student Edition

ISBN 978-1-4114-7964-7

On a dark winter night, a ghost walks the ramparts of Elsinore Castle in Denmark. Discovered first by a pair of watchmen, then by the scholar Horatio, the ghost resembles the recently deceased King Hamlet, whose brother Claudius has inherited the throne and married the king’s widow, Queen Gertrude. When Horatio and the watchmen bring Prince Hamlet, the son of Gertrude and the dead king, to see the ghost, it speaks to him, declaring ominously that it is indeed his father’s spirit, and that he was murdered by none other than Claudius. Ordering Hamlet to seek revenge on the man who usurped his throne and married his wife, the ghost disappears with the dawn. Through the remainder of the play, Prince Hamlet devotes himself to avenging his father’s death.

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## AP LANGUAGE & COMPOSITION SUMMER READING

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*Outliers: The Story of Success* by Malcolm Gladwell

The preferred version of the text is [ISBN-13: 978-0316017930](#)

Malcolm Gladwell’s nonfiction text explores what makes individuals successful. The author’s engaging style takes the reader on a fascinating journey through the makings of the world’s outliers. By shining a spotlight on both notable and little-known stories, Gladwell uncovers hidden components that, he argues, may have contributed to the positive or negative outcomes of each situation. Throughout the text, Malcolm reveals how culture, family, age, and several other facets of life might account for success, and then challenges the reader to evaluate areas of missed opportunities in their own areas of influence.

## AP LITERATURE & COMPOSITION SUMMER READING

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