



ST. JOSEPH'S ACADEMY

2022 Summer Reading List

WORLD LITERATURE ANALYSIS AND COMPOSITION

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ASSIGNMENT #1:

We Are Displaced: My Journey and Stories from Refugee Girls Around the World by Malala Yousafzai

- Purchase a new or unmarked used copy of the book OR check out a copy from your local library.
- Read *We Are Displaced* by Malala Yousafzai.
- Bring your book copy to the first day of class: August 16, 2022.
- As you read, take notes, or write inside the book (or on post-its) when you read something that interests you, makes you think, or creates some emotion within you.
- You will use your reading and thinking notes for a graded assignment/discussion the first week of class.

In this powerful book, Nobel Peace Prize winner and *New York Times* bestselling author, Malala Yousafzai, introduces the people behind the statistics and news stories about the millions of people displaced worldwide.

After her father was murdered, Maria escaped in the middle of the night with her mother.

Zaynab was out of school for two years as she fled war before landing in America. Her sister, Sabreen, survived a harrowing journey to Italy.

Ajida escaped horrific violence, but then found herself battling the elements to keep her family safe.

Malala's experiences visiting refugee camps caused her to reconsider her own displacement — first as an Internally Displaced Person when she was a young child in Pakistan, and then as an international activist who could travel anywhere in the world except to the home she loved. In *We Are Displaced*, Malala not only explores her own story, but she also shares the personal stories of some of the incredible girls she has met on her journeys — girls who have lost their community, relatives, and often the only world they've ever known.

In a time of immigration crises, war, and border conflicts, *We Are Displaced* is an important reminder from one of the world's most prominent young activists that every single one of the 68.5 million currently displaced is a person — often a young person — with hopes and dreams.

"A stirring and timely book." —New York Times

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ASSIGNMENT #2:

Book of Choice for the FIRST week of SJA Sophomore English Class, 2022

We invite you to continue to love reading or begin to love reading as you begin your sophomore year at St. Joseph's Academy this fall. The St. Joseph's Academy English Department's foundation rests in teaching reading and writing skills. The practice of reading begins with the summer reading assignments and will continue with independent reading throughout the 9th and 10th grade English years. Although we will read some books as a class, we expect our students to always be reading outside of class with books they enjoy. Reading makes a better writer, stronger and more open-minded thinker, well informed member of the community, and can also help in improving standardized test scores. Most importantly, finding that book that you just can't stop reading could very well happen during your time at SJA, and we hope it does!

****In the first week of class, we would like you to bring a book of your choice that you have NOT read but that seems interesting or exciting to you!**

This will be your first independent reading book of the year. If you do not have a book of your choice, you will visit the SJA Library and check out a book of your choosing during that first week of school.

** We want our girls reading, so if audio versions help you focus while reading, please use those ALONG with a paper copy of the book. Have that audio ready to go on either your phone or computer alongwith your earbuds/Air Pods.