



GREATER ATLANTA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

English 10

Summer Reading Assignment: 2024-25 School Year

Introduction: Studies have shown reading to be a vital ingredient in the overall development and success of a student. The more a student reads, the higher their levels of comprehension increase. The English 10 Summer Reading assignment is designed to not only help students increase their reading comprehension levels, but also to take ownership of their reading choices.



Directions:

1. Students need to select one of the seven books listed below.
 - a. *Anatomy: A Love Story* by Dana Schwartz
 - b. *Things Fall Apart* by Chinua Achebe
 - c. *An Abundance of Katherines* by John Green
 - d. *Something Wicked This Way Comes* by Ray Bradbury
 - e. *The Bean Trees* by Barbara Kingsolver
 - f. *Sooley* by John Grisham
 - g. *The Magic Strings of Frankie Presto* by Mitch Albom
2. Students need to complete the reading of their chosen book before the first day of school.
3. Students will be expected to take an AR Test over their book. Testing can be done during *summer library hours* (posted on the summer academics page), or during the first week of class.
4. Students will select one of the projects below on their chosen book that will be submitted at the end of the first week of school.

Project Options:

1. **Letter to the Author:** For this project, students will create a 1-page typed letter to the author of the book. In this letter, they must recap the events of the work and pose three questions they would like answered by the author. Each question must also include the reasoning for it being asked.
2. **Journey Board:** For this project, students will create a tri-fold board that maps out the major events / plot line of the story. This should be created as a pathway that covers the majority of the board. Students will add in "highlights" (graphics, illustrations, pictures, artifacts, etc.) at a minimum of FIVE "stops" along the pathway they have created. There should also be a creative title displayed at the top of the project board.
3. **Alternate Book Cover:** For this project, students will design ONE alternate book cover for the story. These alternate covers must be the size of a full poster board. Along with the alternate cover, students will write a one-paragraph description explaining their choice for the alternate cover.

Scoring:

The English 10 Summer Reading Assignment is worth a total of 50 points. Points are broken down into the following categories:

1. Project – 40 points possible
2. AR Test – 10 points possible