

10TH GRADE REQUIRED ENGLISH SUMMER READING

Grade Level

You must read the physical, printed version of these two short stories. You will be given copies of the stories in June. If you have not received or have misplaced these copies, please contact Mr. McLaughlin directly.

- "American Dreams," by Peter Carey
- "Borders," by Thomas King

Assignment:

*******You are required to have this reading done by the first day of class. On the first day of class, you will turn in your printed, highlighted stories for a grade. (See below.)**

- You must actively mark both stories, using a different colored highlighter for each of the below.
- You will need four different colors.
- On the top of the first story, you must create a color chart so we know which color corresponds to which question.

The four questions:

1. When do any of the characters wish their lives were different than they are now?
2. When do any of the characters appreciate what they have?
3. When do any of the characters feel shunned by others?
4. How do the main characters - the narrators - feel about their families, throughout the story?

In class during the first week of school, you will be asked to write about these topics.

Also, think about your own life in response to the above questions.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. McLaughlin (tmclaughlin@jbha.org).