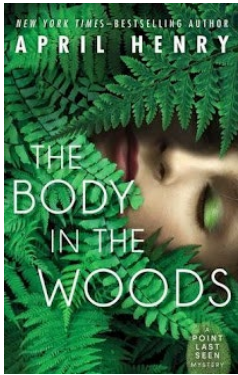


**Taylor Road Middle School**  
**Summer Reading Assignment**  
**8<sup>th</sup> Grade TAG Language Arts**  
**And 8AA ELA**  
**2024-2025 School Year**

Read the following novel prior to the start of school:



*The Body in the Woods* by April Henry

The book is available on Amazon or may be purchased second-hand from a bookstore like Read It Again. As you read your novel, take notes about the **setting, plot, conflict, symbolism, characters, themes,** and **significant quotations**. Annotations should be done inside the novel itself so that you may use them for an in-class essay. You may take additional notes on paper, if needed, but these may not be used on a writing assignment.

#### **Assessment**

During the first week of school, you will be expected to complete a multiple-choice quiz, an in-class discussion in a Socratic Seminary format, and a writing assignment covering your novel. This exam will help us evaluate your reading comprehension, text analysis, and writing skills, all critical to your success in the TAG Language Arts/8AA course.

#### **Questions**

If you have questions about the assignment, contact Dr. Ray, Mrs. Hallam, Ms. Wiechman, or Dr. Wilcher.

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