



Murphy High School

Summer Reading Assignments: Eleventh Grade

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11 th Grade Regular English	11 th Grade Honors English	11 th Grade AP English	11 th Grade IB English
<p><u>Suggested Reading:</u></p> <p>We encourage you to read one of the following novels listed below:</p> <p><i>Mississippi Trail 1955</i> by Chris Crowe</p> <p><i>The Crazy Horse Electric Game</i> by Chris Crutcher</p> <p><i>The Secret Life of Bees</i> by Sue Monk Kidd</p>	<p><u>Required Reading:</u></p> <p>Students should choose one book from the list of books listed below:</p> <p><i>Mississippi Trail 1955</i> by Chris Crowe</p> <p><i>The Crazy Horse Electric Game</i> by Chris Crutcher</p> <p><i>The Secret Life of Bees</i> by Sue Monk Kidd</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Required Assignment:</u></p> <p>Compose a “Reader’s Journal” chronicling your thoughts about the selected book.</p> <p>Students should write ten journal entries. Each completed entry will be worth 10pts.</p> <p>The journal entries do not have to be longer than five sentences. They should be made each time the student reads in order to record reactions to the text while their thoughts are fresh.</p> <p>Please write in paragraphs rather than bulleted lists. There are no right or wrong answers for these, so take some intellectual risks and be honest.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Possible journal entry lead-ins:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ I wonder what this means... ◆ I really don’t understand this part because... ◆ I really like/dislike this idea because... ◆ This character reminds me of... ◆ This character is like (name of character) in (name of work) because... ◆ I think the setting here is important because... ◆ This scene reminds me of a similar scene in... ◆ This part is very realistic/unrealistic because... ◆ I like/dislike this work because... ◆ The ideas here remind me of the ideas in _____ because... 	<p><u>Required Reading:</u></p> <p>Students should read both of the books listed below:</p> <p><i>Tuesdays with Morrie</i> by Mitch Albom</p> <p><i>Into Thin Air</i> by Jon Krakauer</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Required Assignment:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Locate two critical reviews on each book. Obtain print sources from a public library or online sources from Alabama Virtual Library-- www.avl.lib.al.us/. Just click on “Student Resources” at the top of the AVL home page. Next, click on “High School” and thread your way to the Gale and EBSCO icons. <u>If you have difficulty finding articles, just ask any librarian to assist you.</u> Copy or print your articles. 2. As you read your articles, underline the author’s main points. 3. Write a one-page summary of each article, keeping in mind the main points. 	<p><u>Required Reading:</u></p> <p>Students should read both of the books listed below:</p> <p><i>The Joy Luck Club</i> Amy Tan</p> <p><i>Outliers: The Stories of Success</i> by Malcolm Gladwell</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Required Assignment:</u></p> <p>For <i>The Joy Luck Club</i>, students will be assessed with an objective paper and pencil test on the first day of school.</p> <p>Additionally, students will be required to complete a close reading journal (25 quotes for <i>The Joy Luck Club</i>). These must be handwritten, and they will be collected on the first day of school. Students are required to use the format provided.</p> <p>Also, students will need to complete a reading journal for <i>Outliers</i> using the prompts assigned.</p>