

Honors English II Summer Reading 2019

The Honors English II curriculum is intended to prepare students for the AP Language and AP Literature courses for junior and senior year. Part of these course requirements require readers to analyze fiction and nonfiction texts in different analytical formats. Completion of the following assignments will allow students to come to class prepared for the opening week of the course. We will be using both texts beginning the second day of class regardless of the semester.

**How to Read Literature Like a Professor* by Thomas Foster

You should purchase and annotate a copy of the novel. There is an original edition and a revised edition available for purchase. Both can be bought from McKays Used Books for \$.50. Either version is fine. You can access an online version, too, but since you are required to annotate, it might be best to purchase a book. They are readily available from Barnes and Noble Booksellers, Amazon, and Books-a-Million. Annotations will serve as a 100 point test grade. If you are unsure of how to annotate, a quick Google search should be able to help. **Simply underlining a sentence or circling a word per page will not do the trick. Annotations will be taken up the second day of class, but books will be returned.**

Online copy: www.tinyurl.com/readlitphs

***Chapters 16 and 17 contain sensitive topics and will not be covered in class. No points will be lost for skipping these chapters.**

Choice Read

You should select a novel to read. It can be from any genre; ie young adult fiction, young adult nonfiction, modern literature, classic literature, autobiography, biography, graphic novel, science fiction, etc. The only stipulation is it must be age-level appropriate. For example, choosing to read *Charlotte's Web* by E.B. White is unacceptable. If you are wondering whether a novel is appropriate for your age, it might be best to choose another. Like the first book, you will need to have access to a copy of your choice read during the opening days of class. Please take this into consideration when making your choice. Happy reading. :-)

As always, if you need to contact me for questions, my email is lindsay.kennedy@knoxschools.org. I will respond as quickly as possible, but I will be traveling a few times this summer. I'm looking forward to meeting you for SY 2019-2020!