

PILLOW ACADEMY 2018 SUMMER READING

2018 Pillow Academy Summer Reading Honors English I - 9th Grade



THREE Books

Required Reading:

Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck

Night by Elie Wiesel

Read each text thoughtfully and take notes in the margins. You may find this helpful in preparing for your tests on these books. Please create a list of your 10 favorite quotes from each text. Include in the list why you chose the quote and how it impacted you. This assignment will be due the first week of school.

Books of Choice - choose one book from the following:

The Red Badge of Courage by Stephen Crane

Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe

A Study in Scarlet by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

You will be tested on all three books during the first week of school. The tests will vary in format. One book will serve as the basis for an essay assignment. Pay attention to elements such as characterization, major plot points, author's style and purpose, symbols, themes, setting, tone, and conflict.

Please Note: Summer reading selections are chosen based on literary merit and with high academic standards in mind. The books assigned by the English department at Pillow Academy represent a mix of classic and contemporary literature. Many books address complex situations and may contain adult themes and language. Pillow Academy recognizes that a particular work may be objectionable to a student or parent but further believes that exposure to these literary works far outweighs the benefit of censorship. The attempt to expose students to challenging topics and issues is intended to serve as opportunities for students to think, theorize, question, and explore.