

# Rampart High School - American Literature and Composition (11th Grade English) 2019 Summer Reading Assignment

Students will pick a contemporary novel of their choice (published after 1990) written by an American Author. Look for **award winning** novels. The novel can be in any genre (realistic fiction, historical, fantasy, etc...). Students should read it, and complete the summer reading assignment (see the RHS website for a copy of the assignment). This will be collected during the first week of school.

Students are not required to purchase summer reading novels. If you need some options to get you started, consider consulting Pikes Peak Library District or local bookstore for recommendations.

## WRITTEN ASSIGNMENT:

Please download the following writing assignment to accompany the summer reading assignment from Google Docs on the RHS website and type your answers in the box below each question. ***Use complete sentences to answer questions 1-11.***

1. Provide the title, author, and publication date of your novel. Include 3-4 details about the author of your novel.

2. Describe the protagonist of your novel.

3. What is the conflict your protagonist faces? What characteristics help them along the way? What characteristics hinder them?

4. Describe the setting of the novel. How does this contribute to the conflict?

5. In a well-developed paragraph, describe how the main character changes throughout the book. Consider changes in personality, attitude, or beliefs. Support your answer with three specific examples from the book.

6. Describe the antagonist in the novel and how they influence the protagonist.

7. If you picked a book that is also a movie, you must discuss 3 main differences between the book and the movie.

8. Evaluate the ending. Did the way the story resolved itself satisfy you as a reader? Did it leave you with questions?

9. What did you enjoy most about this novel?

10. Does the novel address ideas/issues relevant to America today? Explain your answer.

Questions about summer reading?

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