

## Summer Reading Assignment

This range of books offered to students includes a mix of classic and contemporary literature, covering various genres such as dystopian fiction, coming-of-age stories, and historical mysteries. The selections offer engaging narratives, thought-provoking themes, and opportunities for literary analysis and discussion.

Students, please select one book from the list for your upcoming grade. After you have finished reading the book, you will complete a written assignment, which is described on the following page.

Parents, please review the books individually based on specific student needs, as reading levels may vary.

Happy reading and have a wonderful summer!

The Conwell-Egan English Department

<b>9th Grade ELA</b>	<b>10th Grade ELA</b>
<i>The Outsiders</i> by S.E. Hinton <i>Wonder</i> by R.J. Palacio <i>Orphan Train</i> by Christina Baker Kline <i>Ender's Game</i> by Orson Scott Card <i>The Five People You Meet in Heaven</i> by Mitch Albom	<i>1984: The Graphic Novel</i> adapted by Fido Nesti <i>The Hunger Games</i> by Suzanne Collins <i>Fahrenheit 451</i> by Ray Bradbury <i>Lord of the Flies</i> by William Golding <i>The Pale Blue Eye</i> by Louis Bayard
<b>11th Grade ELA</b>	<b>12th Grade ELA</b>
<i>Our Town</i> by Thornton Wilder <i>Ready Player One</i> by Ernest Cline <i>The Help</i> by Kathryn Stockett <i>Unbroken</i> by Laura Hillenbrand <i>To Kill a Mockingbird</i> by Harper Lee	<i>Where the Crawdads Sing</i> by Delia Owens <i>All the Light We Cannot See</i> by Anthony Doerr <i>The Things They Carried</i> by Tim O'Brien <i>A Raisin in the Sun</i> by Lorraine Hansberry <i>The Life of Pi</i> by Yann Martel

## **Summer Reading Reflection**

**Purpose:** You will demonstrate your understanding of the summer reading book and reflect on its characterization, theme, and impact.

**Instructions:** You will write a well-organized, five paragraph essay in response to the book that you chose to read.

### **Format the essay as follows:**

- I. Introduction: Begin with a brief introduction, including the title and author of the book you read. In this paragraph, express the impact that the book has on you as a reader.
- II. Character Analysis: Select a significant character from the book. Describe his/her personal traits, his/her role in the story, and the way in which they contribute to the overall work.
- III. Theme Exploration: Identify a key theme explored in the book. Incorporate a quote from the book that illustrates the theme. Explain how this theme is developed throughout the story.
- IV. Share your personal reaction to the book. Discuss what aspect of the story resonated with you the most and explain why. Reflect on any connections you made between the book and your own life or experiences.
- V. Summarize your overall evaluation of the book, reflecting on the book's relevance and its impact on you as a reader. Consider whether you would recommend this book to others and why.

### **Formatting Guidelines:**

- Use proper formatting (font, size, spacing) and organize your document in a 5 paragraph format.
- Include the page number for the quote that you provide.
- Use clear and concise language, proofread your work, and check for spelling and grammar errors.
- You must use your own words. Copying from other students or any form of technology will result in disciplinary action.

### **Submission:**

Upload the Google Doc to your teacher or on the first day of class on Monday, September 11, 2023. This will count as a First Quarter grade.