

# 12<sup>th</sup> Grade English – Summer Reading

## Assignment One:

1. Read Night by Elie Wiesel.
2. We will discuss this text as a class the first week of school and you will be **tested** on it.
3. Take detailed notes on the text and record important quotations ( I suggest keeping a notebook). You also need to keep a character list with in depth descriptions on key characters in the novel. I will check these notes the first day of school.

## Assignment Two:

In addition to the requirements above, you must complete the assignment below and be prepared to bring it the first week of school.

- A) Critical Analysis – 500 words. Do NOT write a summary of the book. You must analyze a key element of the novel (theme, use of figurative language, character development, diction, varying syntax, etc.)  
**For example: *Elie Wiesel's style creates vivid imagery for readers. Then, discuss this imagery with details/quotes from the novel.***
- B) This assignment will count as a writing sample for the 2017-2018 school year. Therefore, have clear organization (introduction, body paragraphs, conclusion, and a clear thesis statement). It will give me an idea of your writing ability (sentence variation, word choice, organization, grammar, and spelling).
- C) Plagiarizing will result in a 0. Not completing the assignment at all will also result in a 0.

## Assignment Three:

1. Read one book from the attached list (in addition to *Night*).
2. Be able to openly discuss this novel – you will be sharing your thoughts with the class during the first week of school.

*\*\*If you have any questions over the summer break, I am more than happy to help you.*

*Feel free to email me at [rpeake@richardwinn.org](mailto:rpeake@richardwinn.org).*

Choose One of the following Novels

*Frankenstein, Mary Shelley*

*The Help, Kathryn Stockett*

*The Secret Life of Bees, Sue Monk Kidd*

*The Awakening, Kate Chopin*

*Catch-22, Joseph Heller*

*The Adventures of Tom Sawyer, Mark Twain*

*Heart of Darkness, Joseph Conrad*

*Great Expectations, Charles Dickens*

*19 Minutes, Jodi Picoult*

*Leaving Time, Jodi Picoult*