

Honors Introduction to Literature and Composition (Grade 9) Summer Reading List and Assignments

Introduction:

Welcome to Honors Introduction to Literature and Composition! I am so excited to be part of the transition to your high school experience and to introduce you to the expectations of an Honors Literature course. In this class, enhancing writing skills and developing literary analysis are the primary goals.

The demands of the honors program are such that we must use the summer months to continue our study of literature and keep our minds sharp for next year. My goal is for you to become more proficient readers, writers, and thinkers.

At any point this summer, you may contact me via email at jhuber@uhs.doyocs.org. I look forward to meeting you in August! -Miss Huber-

Reading List and Assignments:

For your summer reading assignment, please enjoy each of the four works listed below and complete a reading log for each work. Please see the reading log attachment for specific directions.

All four summer reading logs are due on the first Friday of the first week of school: Friday, August 18. These assignments will be turned in on the Honors Literature 9 Google Classroom and will be part of the first quarter's grade. (You will receive information on how to join Google Classroom on the first day of school; please make sure your logs are typed so you can follow directions for submission.)

We will also be thoroughly testing over, writing about, and discussing these literary works during the first quarter of the course, so be prepared. Assessments will be detailed, and using "spark notes" will not be an effective method of analysis in an Honors Literature class. It is imperative that you complete all reading assignments to be successful in the course.

Summer Reading Literature:

A Raisin in the Sun by Lorraine Hansberry

Farewell to Manzanar by Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston & James Houston

Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury

The Bean Trees by Barbara Kingslover