

***NORTH BRANFORD HIGH SCHOOL  
SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2010  
FOR STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE TWELVE***

Completion of the summer reading assignment is ***OPTIONAL***\* for students entering grade twelve. Students who wish to earn ***EXTRA CREDIT*** must select one of the books from the attached list. After finishing the book, students must answer the following three journal questions which must be submitted to Chair of the English Department no later than ***Wednesday, Sept. 8, 2010***. The books on the list are widely available at most bookstores and libraries.

*\*Please note:* Students enrolled in the UConn Early College Experience (ECE) course are *required* to complete a summer reading assignment which can be obtained from the course instructor, Mr. Ford.

**GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:**

- Include a cover page with your name, the title of the book you read, the author, and the total number of pages in the book.
- Responses must be neatly handwritten or typed.
- All responses must contain accurate characters and place names.
- All quotes provided must be copied in full and must include an accurate page number where the quote can be found. Quotes cannot be used more than once.

**WRITTEN ASSIGNMENT:**

1. Describe how the main character changes from the beginning of the book to the end. Include *two* specific examples supported by quotes – one from the beginning and one from the end of the book. The circumstances surrounding the quote must be explained clearly and thoroughly.
2. Identify an important turning point or event from the second half of the book, supported by a quote. Give *two* reasons why it is significant to either the characters or the plot.
3. How did the book end? Cite and explain *three* specific ways the outcome was either surprising or predictable.

**PROGRAM NOTES:**

- Students who complete the Summer Reading Journal will receive ***EXTRA CREDIT*** (the exact amount to be determined by the teacher) in *one* of their English electives. The student may select which teacher receives their journal.
- Seniors must submit a Parent Verification form (see attached) and their journal to the Chair of the English Department, Mr. Fabrizi, no later than ***Wednesday, Sept. 8, 2010***. *No late assignments will be accepted.*

***SUMMER READING LIST***  
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Alcott, Louis May *Little Women*  
Austen, Jane *Sense and Sensibility* or *Emma*  
Alighieri, Dante *Divine Comedy (Inferno)*  
Capote, Truman *In Cold Blood*  
de Cervantes, Miguel *Don Quixote*  
Dickens, Charles *Oliver Twist*  
Dostoevsky, Fyodor *Crime and Punishment*  
Eliot, George *The Mill on the Floss* or *Silas Marner*  
Faulkner, William *As I Lay Dying*  
Flaubert, Gustave *Madame Bovary*  
Haley, Alex *Roots*  
Heller, Joseph *Catch-22*  
Hemingway, Ernest *For Whom the Bell Tolls*  
Hugo, Victor *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*  
Hurston, Zora Neale *Their Eyes Were Watching God*  
Joyce, James *A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man*  
Lewis, Sinclair *Babbitt*  
Machiavelli, Niccolo *The Prince*  
Marquez, Gabriel Garcia *One Hundred Years of Solitude*  
Mitchell, Margaret *Gone With the Wind*  
Morrison, Toni *Beloved*  
Pasternak, Boris *Dr. Zhivago*  
Plath, Sylvia *The Bell Jar*  
Steinbeck, John *East of Eden*  
Tolstoy, Leo *Anna Karenina*  
Updike, John *Rabbit, Run*  
Vonnegut, Kurt *Slaughterhouse Five*  
Warton, Edith *The Age of Innocence*

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PARENT VERIFICATION FORM***

Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Book title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

English teacher in whose class you wish to apply the extra credit (include the name of the class):

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Dear Parent:

Please sign below to attest that the above student has read the book listed. The student must submit the form to the Chair of the English Department, Mr. Fabrizi, no later than ***Wednesday, Sept. 8, 2010.***

Thank you for your participation in the NBHS Summer Reading Program. We wish your child success in the coming school year.

Sincerely,

The North Branford High School English Department

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I attest that the student above has read the book listed above.

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(parent signature)