

English I Pre-AP

Summer Reading Assignment



Dear 2018-2019 WHS Freshman,

Over the summer, you should continue your independent reading by choosing a book that you would like to read that meets the requirements below. It is an expectation in English I PreAP that you will ALWAYS have an independent reading book on your person. Be aware that you will be sharing your reading with your peers throughout the year, so as you read, think about what aspects of your book you would share to encourage others to read your book without spoiling their experience.

Book Selection

- Young Adult Fiction (See <http://www.ala.org/yalsa/best-fiction-young-adults> for recommendations)
- At least 250+ pages
- Written after 2003
- You have never read it before
- No graphic novels allowed
- Cannot have been made into a movie, TV show, or video game

Tissue Box Assignment due on Thursday, August 23rd



On the second day of school, Thursday, August 23rd, you will turn in your completed tissue box project. **This tissue box assignment will count as a daily grade.**

Requirements (See examples below):

- You will create a representation of your book and yourself using a NEW, UNOPENED, “boutique style” tissue box (these are the square boxes rather than the rectangle boxes).
- Each side should be appropriately titled to match the **TYPED** information for that side. Your information should be written in a well-developed paragraph (5-8 sentences).
- Your tissue box is the first assignment we will see from you and should be a reflection of you as a student, show pride in your work, and demonstrate your attention to detail.
- This project should be aesthetically pleasing, creative, thoughtful, and **NEAT**.

Side One: Original Plot Blurb

This should be a teaser for your novel. Encourage individuals to read the book without giving away too much. You should look on Amazon or on the back of your book **for examples**, but you should come up with an **original blurb in your own words**. This plot blurb should be a well-developed paragraph, at least 8 sentences.

Side Two: Personal Bio

This side should include your first and last name, a recent picture of yourself, the title of your favorite book, and reason why this is your favorite read.

Side Three: Description of You as a Reader

Address the following questions in paragraph form: Why do you like to read? What are genres that you enjoy? Specifically, what about those genres is appealing to you? Why do you think reading is important?

Side Four: In-class writing to be completed on the first day of school

On the first day of class you will respond to a short answer prompt in connection to your summer read. This response will be turned in prior to the end of class. This in-class response will be added to your tissue box at a later date.

We look forward to meeting you in the fall!

English I Pre-AP teachers

Good Examples of Tissue Box Assignments

Notice the tissue boxes are neatly covered and thoughtfully produced:

