

Vineland/Millville Public Charter School
Summer Reading
Incoming Grade 10

Dear Parent/Guardian:

As the 2017-18 school year draws to a close, it is my pleasure to present to you our 2018 Summer Reading Assignment. Summer reading is an important activity for your child's intellectual growth and development.

Select any **TWO** of the following novels to complete your summer reading. Answer the questions that are listed below using complete sentences, well-developed paragraphs, and detailed examples with direct quotes and page numbers. Answer these questions in a Word document and save to your computer. Bring the answers with you to your English class on **Wednesday, September 5th**. The responses will form the basis for your first analytical paper. We will discuss **how to piece all of this together** during class.

Novels

McCullers, Carson	<i>The Member of the Wedding (900 lexile)</i>
Orwell, George	<i>1984 (1090 lexile)</i>
Stevenson, Robert Louis	<i>Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde (1060 lexile)</i>
White, T. H.	<i>Once and Future King (1080 lexile)</i>
John Knowles	<i>A Separate Piece (1110 lexile)</i>
Homer	<i>The Iliad (1320 lexile)</i>

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Questions:

1. Describe one character's problems, or a choice made. What advice do you have for the character?
2. Explain why you think a character acts the way he/she does.
3. Copy an interesting/important/enjoyable passage (**note the page number**) in the response and comment on it.
4. Explain why you would or would not like to have a particular character as a friend.
5. Explain why you would or would not like to have lived in the time and place of the novel.
6. Write questions about a part of the novel that you had difficulty understanding. Choose one question and explore possible answers.
7. Examine the values of a character you like/dislike.
8. What real person or event(s) are you reminded of by characters or events in the story.
9. What is your overall reaction to the work?

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