

## Summer Reading Instructions

Each class is required to read a book over the summer.

Freshmen: *The Lost Hero* by Rick Riordan

Sophomores: *Something Wicked This Way Comes* by Ray Bradbury

Juniors: *Tuesdays With Morrie* by Mitch Albom

Seniors: *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini

**Please use the following questions to guide your reading. The answers to these questions will serve as your notes over the book. You will be required to hand in your notes. In English class, you will be quizzed on the required book. Please include the following in your notes:**

1. Title, author, publisher, and copyright date of the book
2. Number of pages in the book
3. Description of the setting, or settings, of the book (time period, place, weather, country, etc.)
4. List of the main characters and beside each write the important actions that each character does; also include what you like or don't like about each character and why.
5. List of the main conflicts in the book and how each is resolved
6. Summarize each chapter in a paragraph or two.
7. *DO NOT use Cliff Notes, Barron's Notes, Monarch Notes or any other reading aid to write the summaries. These summaries should be what you understand is going on in the chapter. Plagiarism will only get you into trouble. Also, DO NOT use these or any other reading aid to make a list of the characters and important actions or how conflicts are resolved. We are trying to discern if YOU actually understand the book. We are well aware of the reading aids' understanding!*

**Note:** Watching the video version instead of reading the book **does not** fulfill the assignment. It may also result in your doing poorly on the quizzes or any other project associated with reading the book.

## Plagiarism

*Plagiarize:* To steal and use (the ideas or writings of another) as one's own. To appropriate passages or ideas from and use them as one's own. (*American Heritage Dictionary*)

Plagiarism is a serious form of stealing that can result in criminal charges. Although we won't bring criminal charges, plagiarizing one's work is a serious offense and will result in up to 4 demerits plus a "0" on the assignment. This will likely place a student on probation. One way to avoid plagiarism is to properly cite the sources used. If you are unsure how to cite a source, see a teacher, or refer to Purdue OWL (online writing lab).