

## English II Honors Summer Reading Assignment

Students will choose **ONE** of the following novels to read in preparation for the English II Honors. In addition to **one** of the novels below, Honors students will read *Animal Farm* by George Orwell. You must purchase **unmarked** copies of these novels.

*Pride and Prejudice* – Jane Austen ISBN# 978-0141439518

OR

*Kidnapped* – Robert Louis Stevenson ISBN# 978-0141441795

Honors – *Animal Farm* – George Orwell ISBN# 978-0451526342

Assignments for the novels include:

### 1. READ AND ANNOTATE :

- plot development – include setting with notes as to its effect,
- literary devices/techniques (symbolism, foreshadowing, imagery, characterization, point of view, irony, etc.)
- theme

### 2. WRITTEN ASSIGNMENT #1:

Write a typed one-page response to **TWO** of the following. Each response will be typed on a separate page and printed out to be turned in on the assigned date. You will be required to follow MLA format - Times New Roman 12 font, double spaced, and correct heading and format – on each of the paragraphs. Grammar, as well as format, will be graded on this assignment. **REMEMBER THIS IS TO BE YOUR WORK AND NOT THAT FROM OTHER SOURCES AND IS NOT CONSIDERED A GROUP PROJECT. SUCH WORK WILL RECEIVE A GRADE OF 0.**

- What is the major conflict of the novel? What type of conflict is it? How does the protagonist overcome or reconcile this conflict? Use quotes to support making sure that all quotes are integrated and documented.
- What is the main theme of the novel? Write a clear thematic statement for this novel. Using direct quotes or evidence from the novel, discuss how the author develops this theme.
- Select 3 key quotes from the novel and explain the significance of each to the work as a whole. In this journal, you may state the direct quote and then in complete sentences, discuss the significance of this quote.
- What is an important “life lesson” that you learned from reading the novel? In other words, what is something meaningful that you learned from the novel that might impact your life in some way.

### 2. ASSIGNMENT #2: *Animal Farm* ISBN#978-0451526342

- Before you begin reading the novel, *Animal Farm*, watch the following presentations. Take notes, which you will turn in the first week of class. Make sure to read these carefully, as they will develop a better understanding of the significance of this novel.

<https://prezi.com/gf1bw8moviln/how-is-animal-farm-a-satire-an-allegory-and-a-fable/>

- Watch the following introduction to the novel which will discuss how the novel is an allegory. As you watch the video, create a list of animals, locations, and events that are used as symbols. See the list below - name the symbol and then briefly discuss the how the symbol represents either event or historical figure in the Russian Revolution. (<https://youtu.be/j2iBW7XJ4c4>). Here is an additional link to watch which will help with the background of this novel.

1. Old Major

2. Jones

3. Animal Rebellion

4. Napoleon

5. Snowball

6. Squealer

7. Napoleon's Dogs

8. Foxwood Farm (Pilkington)

9. Pinchfield Farm (Frederick)

10. Battle of Cowshed

11. Battle of Windmill

12. Final Scene

13. Animals other than pigs and dogs

14. Mollie the cart horse

15. Chasing away Jones

16. Animal Farm (Manor Farm)

17. Selling the wood

18. Napoleon takes over the farm

19. Confessions and executions

20. Hoof and horn on the flag

3. As you read the speech by Old Major in Chapter One of the novel, annotate elements of the speech that show how he uses language and structure to persuade the animals to help him create a utopia on Manor Farm. In a response journal of 300 – 350 words, use specific evidence – direct quotes and citations – to show how Old Major convinces the animals to be a part of the rebellion. Remember – I want your ideas. **Responses taking from other sources will be given a grade of 0.**  
**I want you to think on this one.**

3. This assignment will be due on to [www.turnitin.com](http://www.turnitin.com) by Wednesday, August 18<sup>th</sup> or Thursday, August 19th. You will need to enroll in English II Honors- see instructions at bottom of page. If you have any questions over the assignment, please email Mrs. Roeder at [groeder@fbacademy.com](mailto:groeder@fbacademy.com) , and I will be glad to answer them. See you in August.

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