

Sophomore Honors English Summer Assignments **(Due the first day of school)**

Welcome to Honors English 10. I am looking forward to a great year next year. We will be studying world literature, in conjunction with your AP European history class. **The following assignments will be due the first day of school in the fall.**

I. To Kill a Mockingbird Assignment

Due to the fact that we will have a rigorous and intense reading schedule and homework load during the school year, we will not have time to study one of the best-loved novels of all time, *To Kill a Mockingbird*, which is generally taught sophomore year. For this reason, all students taking Honors English 10 are assigned this novel for summer reading **prior** to entering school in the fall. **The following reading, study guide, and test preparation MUST be done before the first day of school in the fall.** This is a fairly long book, so don't procrastinate!

1. **Obtain a copy of the novel, *To Kill a Mockingbird*, by Harper Lee.** You will be able to find the book at most local libraries or bookstores. It would be a great book to add to your personal library. If you absolutely cannot get a copy of the book, copies will be available for check-out on a very limited basis at the school (ask in main office).
2. **Answer questions in the enclosed reading guide packet.** These questions should be answered **on notebook paper, printed neatly in ink (NOT TYPED)**, and in complete sentences. Many of the questions will require several sentences to answer completely. This is individual work! **Your assignment should not resemble any other student's study guide (copied assignments will receive a zero, whether you copy someone else's, OR they copy yours).**
3. Be prepared to take a **TEST** on the novel **THE FIRST DAY OF CLASS**, as well as to participate in group and class discussions about the novel.

II. Gods of Mount Olympus Assignment

We will be studying the Greeks and Romans early in first quarter. In order to facilitate this, you will study the gods of Mount Olympus during the summer.

1. Obtain a copy of a mythology book, such as Edith Hamilton's *Mythology*, or do research on the internet to learn about the following gods of Mount Olympus:
2. **In a short paragraph** (for each god – 14 short paragraphs total), **identify the following:** Zeus, Poseidon, Hades, Hestia, Hera, Athena, Ares, Artemis, Phoebus Apollo, Aphrodite, Hermes, Hephaestus, Demeter, and Dionysus. **Identify the Roman name for each god, as well as the realm and significance of each (what is important about each one).** **DO NOT TYPE – PRINT NEATLY IN INK – Restate this information in your own words, and CITE YOUR SOURCES at the end.**

I am looking forward to seeing you in the fall. Happy reading!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Hansen
Honors English 10

