

Germantown High School Summer Reading

All English classes will have assigned summer reading which will be tested during the first weeks of class, so please have the books read. **Also, please have a physical copy of the book with you during the opening of school.** Electronic copies of books do not count. You don't need to buy a copy (a library book will work just fine), but local bookstores will be asked to keep copies of these titles in stock.

Please have your book(s) read by the first day of class. ALL STUDENTS WILL BE GIVEN A **TEST** ON THEIR BOOK(S) during the first week of school. This will be **one of the three test grades given during the first term**, so it is very important that you read in order to avoid damaging your average this early in the school year.

English I

The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman

Accelerated English I

Lord of the Flies by William Golding

AND

The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman

English II

Tuesdays with Morrie by Mitch Albom

Accelerated English II

Night by Elie Wiesel

AND

Tuesdays with Morrie by Mitch Albom

English III

Same Kind of Different as Me by Ron Hall, Denver Moore, and Lynn Vincent

OR

Beyond Katrina by Natasha Trethewey

Accelerated English III

Same Kind of Different as Me by Ron Hall, Denver Moore, and Lynn Vincent

Advanced Placement English Language and Composition (11th grade AP)

The Scarlet Letter by Nathaniel Hawthorne (skip the first chapter titled The Custom-House)

AND the following essays by Ralph Waldo Emerson

- Nature (Emerson published two essays with this title: you need to read the version from 1836 that begins "To go into solitude, a man needs to retire as much from his chamber as from society")
- The Transcendentalist
- Self-Reliance

I will be using *The Essential Writings of Ralph Waldo Emerson* published by The Modern Library (ISBN: 978-0-679-78322-0) Local bookstores have been asked to stock this edition.

ALSO, there is a writing assignment for this class which will be posted on the school webiste.

ALL SENIOR READING LISTS WILL BE ON A SEPARATE SHEET