

English 9 Honors __ Summer 2020 Reading list

Welcome to English 9 Honors! When we re-enter the classroom in August, we begin with a unit titled, “Finding Common Ground”. We will explore the genres of personal essay and memoir, analyzing how an author’s word choice (diction) helps to build voice and establish tone to convey his/her intended purpose.

For your summer reading assignment, I would like for you to choose from the provided list **one memoir**.

TASK:

1. Read your memoir, taking the time to both understand and enjoy it! You might even consider highlighting and marking important or interesting information as you read.
2. Use Adobe Spark (free online program) to create a video presentation identifying the following information: [ADOBE SPARK HOW TO TUTORIAL](#)
 - a. Title of your book
 - b. Author of your book (please include a picture and a brief biography)
 - c. Author’s intended message-- what is the purpose of this book? What message did the author wish to convey to his/her reader? What is the reader meant to ‘take away’ from this book?
 - d. Author’s tone--what is the attitude that the author takes toward the subject?
 - e. Mood--how did you (the reader) feel while reading this book?
 - f. Explain your feelings about recommending this book to other readers. Who would enjoy this book? What might a reader find difficult about this book?

*******All work is DUE on THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 2020*******

Questions about your work should be directed to Mrs. Duling

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Book List:

We Should Hang Out Sometime by Josh Sundquist

Becoming Kareem: Growing Up On and Off the Court by Kareem

Abdul-Jabbar

Reaching for the Moon by Katherine Johnson

I am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and Was Shot by the Taliban by Christina Lamb and Malala Yousafzai

I Will Always Write Back: How One Letter Changed Two Lives by Caitlin Alifirenka, Liz Welch, and Martin Ganda

Soul Surfer: A True Story of Faith, Family, and Fighting to Get Back on the Board by Bethany Hamilton

Through My Eyes by Ruby Bridges

The Keeper: The Unguarded Story of Tim Howard Young Reader's Edition
by Tim Howard

Chasing Space: An Astronaut's Story of Grit, Grace, and Second Chances by Leland Melvin

Blitz Your Life: Stories from an NFL and ALS Warrior by Tim Shaw

Coming Back Stronger: Unleashing the Hidden Power of Adversity by Drew Brees

Grace, Gold, and Glory: My Leap of Faith by Gabriella Douglass

Courage to Soar: A Body in Motion, A Life in Balance by Simone Biles

The Sixth Man: A Memoir by Andre Iguodala

I hope that you enjoy your summer and your reading! I look forward to spending the next school year with you!

Kindly-

J. Duling