

10th Grade College-Bound Summer Reading Assignment

The 10th Grade College Bound Summer Reading Assignment is designed to prepare you for the discussion, reading expectations, and critical thinking needed to be successful in the course. Your assignment is to read one of the following novels:

Into the Wild by John Krakauer

I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings by Maya Angelou

The Book Thief by Markus Zusak

The Good Thief by Hannah Tinti

In September, you will be assigned an in-class essay asking you to compare and contrast a thematic element from the novel and one of the works we read in the beginning of next year.

10th Grade Honors Summer Reading Assignment

The 10th Grade Honors Summer Reading Assignment is designed to prepare you for the discussion, reading expectations, and critical thinking needed to be successful in the course. Your assignment is to read ***The Color of Water*** by James McBride and complete the reaction journal assignment.

Each student must keep a reaction journal as they read *The Color of Water*. Below, the novel is broken up into six sections based on chapters. After each section, write a 150 word response to the reading. Your responses can discuss an idea from the reading that you found interesting, a point that the author made that you'd like to debate, or a detail with which you can relate. I am looking for deep, insightful thinking in this response, not merely a summary of the plot. Reaction journals must be typed and double spaced. They are due the Friday of the first week of school.

- Section 1: Chapters 1-5
- Section 2: Chapters 6-10
- Section 3: Chapters 10-13
- Section 4: Chapters 14-17
- Section 5: Chapters 18-22
- Section 6: Chapter 23 to the end of the novel