

Sophomore Honors SUMMER READING

Welcome to English 3-4 Honors! This summer you will read two books, Elie Weisel's *Night* and Patricia McCormick's *Sold*, as well as one book of pleasure reading as part of the sophomore summer reading program. *Night* and *Sold* will be provided for you and must be returned. Students will be expected to complete assignments and assessments with each of the readings. These assignments will be your first grades of the year, so be sure to start off strong!

You will need to go to the Summer Reading Moodle site and log-in using your school computer log-in. If this is your first time using Moodle, you will also have to register. Use your school email, please. Here is the URL: <http://virtualschool.bths201.org/>

Attached are instructions for how to sign up for the summer reading Moodle site.

JUNE

Read *Night* by Elie Weisel (pages 13 -119 are the only required pages); provided by school

Assignment: Students will complete five Moodle posts, and comment on at least five posts of classmates. Visit <http://virtualschool.bths201.org/> and scroll down until you find the section Belleville West and select ENGLISH. Scroll all the way down the list of classes until you come to SUMMER HONORS READING. Click on that title. The KEY to get into this site is HONORS. You will have to enter that code the first time you sign on the SUMMER HONORS READING.

Under the appropriate heading, post your response by adding a new discussion topic. Follow the directions on Moodle carefully!

DEADLINE: The 5th and final Moodle post should be completed by June 30.

JULY

The pleasure reading selection is a chance to read a book that really appeals to your tastes and interests. You may select any book that you have not read before--it can be a relaxing escape from the real world, an interesting non-fiction book, an exciting adventure story, a classic that you have always wanted to tackle, or a book that your best friend recommended.

Once you have chosen your book, you may work through it at your own pace. Some of you may read the entire book in a matter of days, while others of you may spread the reading over a few weeks. If you read at least a small amount each day, you will have no trouble completing your book before the due date.

When you complete your book, you will [write an informal review online](#). (You will find a link to this forum near the bottom of the Moodle page.)

DEADLINES: You need to make your pleasure reading selection (and [post it online](#)) no later than July 5; You should finish your book and post your review no later than July 31.

AUGUST

For the August selection, you will read *Sold* by Patricia McCormick.

Journals: Students will complete two Moodle journals. Under the appropriate heading, post your journals after reading the appropriate amount of pages. Remember that strong writing is a part of your post. Avoid grammatical/mechanical errors. These should be completed before the first day of school, August 16.

Assessment: Be ready to take an essay assessment. The in-class essay test will be held soon after returning to school.

DEADLINE: Finish the book and post journals by August 16.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact one of us. Any problems need to be resolved PRIOR to deadlines. Failure to do so will result in a zero on the assignment(s) in question.

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