Westhill High School
Summer Reading 2019
Grades 9 - 12

CP and Sheltered English Students

This year we are offering TWO summer reading options:

**Choice #1:** Select a book that you personally want to read. All we ask is that you make sure your book is grade-level appropriate. This year you can find a variety of fabulous book recommendations on the [Connecticut Reads, the 2019 Governor’s Summer Reading Challenge](https://www.ctreads.org/) website.

Once you have finished reading please complete a **Data Sheet** for the book you chose to read. The directions for this assignment and an electronic version of the data sheet are available on the Westhill webpage. You may also pick up printed materials from your English teacher any time before **June 17, 2019**. Please note that all work will be submitted to [www.turnitin.com](http://www.turnitin.com) when you return in August; any student submitting any amount of plagiarized content will receive a zero for this assignment.

**Choice #2:** If you do not want to choose your own book, you may opt to read a short story and complete a set of text-dependent questions. We are offering **two** choices for Grades 9/10 and **two** choices for Grades 11/12. Please select the story from your grade band that you personally want to read.

You can download PDF copies of any of these stories and the required questions from the Westhill webpage. You may also pick up printed materials from your English teacher any time before **June 17, 2019**. Please note that all work will be submitted to [www.turnitin.com](http://www.turnitin.com) when you return in August; any student submitting any amount of plagiarized content will receive a zero for this assignment.

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<td>Shirley Jackson’s “The Lottery”</td>
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**Honors English Students**

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AP English Language and Composition Students (11)

You will be completing a course specific summer reading assignment. Your current English teacher will hand out the assignment in class. You may also access the assignment on the Westhill webpage. Please note that all work will be submitted to www.turnitin.com when you return in August; any student submitting any amount of plagiarized content will receive a zero for this assignment.

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***Please make sure that all work submitted is original. Students are discouraged from using websites such as Lit Charts, Spark Notes, Book Rags, etc. when completing their summer reading assignments. Students who submit summer reading that contains any amount of analysis that comes from an Internet site or belongs to another student (this includes paraphrasing and rephrasing) will receive a grade of zero on the assignment.

Westhill High School English Department
Plagiarism Policy

Plagiarism is a very serious violation of academic rules. According to the Westhill Student Handbook, plagiarism is a form of cheating when a student claims someone else’s work, words, and/or ideas are his/her own.

The English Department of Westhill High School formally states that any student who is found to have plagiarized in his or her English class will automatically receive a zero on the assignment. Additional, escalating consequences may result in specific cases where the offense is extremely severe or if a student has previously engaged in academic dishonesty. Students should be aware that any form of academic dishonesty may also result in their inability to receive a college recommendation, in their removal from an honors or AP class or in a parent conference with the teacher and the English Department Head.

The summer reading is due on Friday, September 6, 2019

If you have any questions at all about this year’s summer reading assignments please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Wheeler, the English Department Head. You can email Ms. Wheeler anytime during the summer at cwheeler@StamfordCT.gov. Have a wonderful summer and enjoy everything you read! ☺