

2017 Survey of Literature Summer Reading Assignment

1. Choose *one* of the below texts to read and analyze for your summer reading assignment.

- *American Born Chinese* by Gene Luen Yang
- *Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe* by Benjamin Saenz
- *Flowers for Algernon* by Daniel Keyes
- *I'll Give You the Sun* by Jandy Nelson
- *Lord of the Flies* by William Golding
- *Never Let Me Go* by Kazuo Ishiguro

2. Carefully read and annotate your summer reading text choice, taking care to follow these guidelines...

- a. Define unknown words.
- b. Consider such literary devices as setting, mood, symbol, tone, imagery, selection of detail, diction, syntax, archetype, figurative language, and point of view.
- c. Trace character development.
- d. Note themes.
- e. Do not simply underline a passage, but also make notes in the margins.

3. Be prepared to write an in-class, open-book essay on your chosen text, as well as turn in your annotations for a grade, during the first week of class.

***CCSS.RL.9-10.2:** Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.

***CCSS.RL.9-10.1:** Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

***CCSS.W.9-10.2:** Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

***CCSS.L.9-10.1:** Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.