

Summer Reading 10th Honors Language Arts

Required Reading: Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck

Read the novel thoroughly, annotating the text as you read. You may neatly write these notes in the margins of your book (if you own the book) or you may use Post It notes (or a facsimile) and stick them on the pages as you read. **For assessment purposes, however, each student must use the “sticky” notes to annotate one chapter even if the bulk of the novel has notes written in the margins.** The quality of these notes will be assessed during the first day of school.

Information on annotating a text as well as a copy of the rubric that will be used for this assignment can be accessed via additional links under NHS Summer Assignments on the NHS Website.

Additional novel: The Joy Luck Club by Amy Tan

or

The Life of Pi by Yann Martel

Read and annotate **one** of these novels. Be prepared to complete an in-class essay assignment involving your annotations. The topic and format of the essay will be assigned by your teacher on the first or second day of school.

Links for the summer assignment:

<http://slowreads.com/ResourcesHowToMarkABook-Outline.htm> **OUTLINE** of Adler’s “How to Mark a Book”

<http://www.tnellen.com/cybereng/adler.html> copy of Adler’s **ESSAY**, “How to Mark a Book”