



English II

Summer Reading Assignment

Lakewood Ranch English Department

What do I read for summer reading?

Students are **encouraged** to read the novel listed on the back. Selections are based on the English class each student will be taking in the upcoming school year.

What is the assignment?

The goal of LRHS's summer reading assignment is to keep students actively engaged in reading while exposing students to the type of literature they will be encountering in the upcoming school year. Students will **not** be required to complete an assignment outside of school; however, students should be prepared to take a summer reading assessment the **2nd** day of English class. The in-class assessment may include questions that pertain to plot development, major conflicts and characters, character motivation, themes, points of view, and/or prominent symbols. The format may include the following types of questions: short-answer paragraphs, quotation significance, and multiple choice. Students will **NOT** be able to use their novel or notes for the assessment.

How do I prepare for the in-class assessment?

In order to be prepared for the assessment, students should follow these recommendations:

- Students should never rely on online summaries or movie versions in lieu of reading the entire book.
- While reading, annotate the text by highlighting, posting sticky-notes, or writing in the margin. Annotations should occur in the following instances:
 - Key plot event
 - Major conflicts (man vs. man, man vs. world, man vs. self, man vs. nature, etc.)
 - Development of major characters
 - Major themes
 - Points of view
 - Symbols
- Form a book group with friends to discuss the novel. Sharing ideas is a very effective method to gain a deeper understanding of the storyline.

Where can I find my assigned book?

A limited number of books will be available for check-out from Lakewood Ranch High School's Media Center or from the local library. Students can also purchase books at Books-A-Million, Barnes & Noble or through an on-line distributor. Students will **NOT** be required to bring the novel to class.

Who do I contact if I have questions?

For questions pertaining to summer reading, please contact Dr. Lundy at 941-727-6100 ext. 2009 or lundy@manateeschools.net. The Administration Office may be open M-TR 7:30 am- 5:00 pm; please call ahead of time to ensure that someone is available.

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***The House on Mango Street* by Sandra Cisneros**

Acclaimed by critics, beloved by readers of all ages, taught everywhere from inner-city grade schools to universities across the country, and translated all over the world, *The House on Mango Street* is the remarkable story of Esperanza Cordero. Told in a series of vignettes – sometimes heartbreaking, sometimes deeply joyous – it is the story of a young Latina girl growing up in Chicago, inventing for herself who and what she will become.

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