

**RMHS Grade 11 Summer Reading
2010**

Summer Reading for English 11: The Power of Narrative

The Requirement: Read any two of the books listed below.

The Books by Category:

Classics:

1984 by George Orwell
Brave New World by Aldous Huxley
Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte
On The Road by Jack Kerouac
A Room With A View by E.M. Forester
Sons and Lovers by D.H. Lawrence

Contemporary Non-Fiction:

Into Thin Air by Jon Krakauer
Ophelia Speaks by Sara Shandler

Contemporary Fiction:

The Curious Incident of The Dog In the Night-time by Mark Haddon
Girls' Guide to Hunting And Fishing by Melissa Banks
Like Water For Chocolate by Laura Esquivel
My Name Is Asher Lev by Chaim Potok
The Natural by Bernard Malamud
A Prayer for Owen Meany by John Irving
The Storm of The Century by Stephen King
The Things They Carried by Tim O'Brien
Titans by Tim Green

Assessment: Students will complete multiple choice tests in September to demonstrate comprehension of character and plot.

Extra-Credit
Assessment:

Students who wish to earn 20 extra points on their tests may respond to one of the following prompts for each book—that's a total of two written responses:

- Explain why you would or would not recommend this book to a fellow classmate. Be specific. Refer to individuals and events in the book. Your response should contain at least 250 words.
- Discuss the main character or figure in the book. What are his or her defining characteristics? Are those characteristics an innate part of who he or she is? Did he or she develop those characteristics as a result of certain experiences? Refer to specific events in the book. Your response should contain at least 250 words.