

Legacy Christian Academy

Summer Reading Assignments for English 10 (Non-honors)

Summer Reading Philosophy:

Reading is a fundamental life skill, and it can also be a pleasurable and rewarding activity. The Legacy English Department cares greatly about fostering in our students the enjoyment of quality literature as well as helping them achieve academic gains across all disciplines. Studies show that people who read more become stronger readers and writers and have better vocabulary and spelling skills. Independent reading outside the classroom is just as important as guided reading inside the classroom in developing these skills. Our goal is for all students to take ownership of their reading and know the pleasure of independence.

For Summer Reading 7-12 students are assigned required reading. Then they have optional reading they can record to earn prizes at the beginning of the school year. Students may use required reading minutes and choose books from the list below or books of choice.

REQUIRED Reading and Assignment

A Separate Peace by John Knowles

REQUIRED Project

Write a book review for *A Separate Peace* according to the instructions provided on the next page.

OPTIONAL

Read as many more books as you want! To be entered into a drawing for prizes, students must read a minimum of 1,000 minutes. (The required reading minutes DO count toward this total!)

Summer Reading Book Review Instructions

Your task: Write a **book review** for the Grade 10 required reading (*A Separate Peace*) according to the following guidelines and directions:

Introduction (paragraph 1)

- A catchy lead-in statement
- Title, author, type of book, or other information that gives reader perspective
- Thesis statement dealing with purpose or meaning of the work

Body (paragraphs 2 and 3)

I. Content

- A. Include brief information about the plot line
- B. Include brief information about the main characters

II. Reader reaction

- A. Response to the author's purpose, themes, symbolism, or anything else worthy of discussion
- B. Important issues that the book suggests

Conclusion (paragraph 4)

- A direct comment or opinion about the book
- A recommendation ... and why?

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Summer Reading Log

Do you see someone skilled in their work? They will serve before kings... Proverbs 22:29a

Your 'required' book minutes can (and should) also be included on this log!

Date	Title	Starting Time	Ending Time	Total Minutes
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Student's Name: _____ **Grade:** _____

Parent's Signature: _____ **Total Minutes:** _____

Attach additional sheets as needed. All sheets must be turned in to the student's English teacher on the first day of school. In recording your reading minutes, your honesty and integrity is both expected and appreciated.