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12th Grade Advanced and Honors Summer Reading List 2024-2025

All 12th grade students at Trinity Christian Academy are expected to complete the summer reading assignments. Reading over the summer will help each student improve vocabulary, comprehension, and writing skills which will enhance all studies so that students will experience academic success. The summer reading/writing assignments for all students will be due as follows:

- **Objective quiz over the required book will be on Wednesday, August 21, 2024.**
- **The writing assignment (daily grade) based on the non-fiction book will be due on Wednesday, August 28, 2024**
- **The honors component (daily grade) will also be due on Wednesday, August 28, 2024.**

Students will be expected to turn in the written work as a hard copy **AND** upload the assignment(s) to turnitin.com (instructions for uploading the assignment(s) will be provided the first week of school, so please save your work on a memory stick until then).

PLEASE NOTE: **All students must read both the required book AND one non-fiction book.**

If the student is enrolled in 12th grade Advanced English, please complete sections I, II, and III.

If the student is enrolled in 12th grade Honors English, please complete sections I, II, III, and IV.

I 12th Grade English Required Book (An objective quiz will be given on this book on Wednesday, August 21, 2024)

Murder on the Orient Express - Agatha Christie

II 12th Grade English non-fiction book - Please read the following non-fiction book: (A writing assignment will be completed on the non-fiction book to be turned in on Wednesday, August 28, 2024)

Do Hard Things - Alex and Brett Harris

III Writing Assignment (daily grade based on the non-fiction book from the list above. This assignment is due on Wednesday, August 28, 2024)

For the book listed above, please create SOAPS for three different chapters. Please choose five different passages throughout the non fiction book in which to create SOAPS.

(Subject, Observation, Application, Prayer). A formatted handout with detailed instructions can be found at the end of this handout.

IV Honors Component (daily grade based on the required book. This assignment is due on Wednesday, August 28, 2024)

Directions: Choose five different quotes from the required book. Write out the quote using appropriate MLA formatting (intext citations and a Works Cited page). Then write one short paragraph for each quote explaining who was speaking, who was being spoken to, and the significance of the quote.

PARENTS AND STUDENTS, PLEASE NOTE:

- As a Christian, a person may wonder, “Should Christians study the classics of literature?” Christians should be aware that man’s writings reflect his inner thoughts. This can be seen throughout a study of literature and the authors’ lives. If we look at secular literature (classics) through discerning eyes, our own faith and testimony can be strengthened. The selections chosen for the reading list are either classic in nature or carry strong literary merit. Trinity Christian Academy cannot be responsible for all content in every selection.
- Please be advised: copied, summarized, or paraphrased information from an internet source or any other source that is not properly documented is unacceptable. THIS IS PLAGIARISM! The writing portion of the Summer Reading Assignment is meant to be the students’ own thoughts and ideas and should not be researched from any outside source. If the student uses a quote from the book, please be sure to include the quotation marks as well as the page number from the book in which the quote was found.

S.O.A.P. Method of Bible/Devotional Study

The most important literature we can read, contemplate, and study is Scripture, God’s Word. As we study the Word, we notice that it can be quite challenging at times to analyze and collect our thoughts in order to best benefit from what we are reading. This holds true for Bible commentaries as well as devotion books and also Bible study books as well. A well-known method of study is called S.O.A.P. Method. Please find the acronym as well as explanation below in order to complete the writing assignment for the non-fiction book (Roman Numeral III). Please create your own chart similar to the one below replacing my description with your actual commentary / notes about the text.

S.O.A.P. Bible/Study Method	
S	<p><u>Scripture/Section:</u></p> <p>Pick a section or verse from your devotional time, a part that stood out to you during your reading time. Write out the verse or part of the section and reread the it a few times slowly. Take your time in this step. There is no need to hurry.</p>
O.	<p><u>Observation:</u></p> <p>This section is all about what stood out to you. Is there anything that stirred your faith? Write down truths you feel God is wanting you to learn. They can be truths, principles, commands, and more.</p>
A.	<p><u>Application</u></p> <p>This part is all about getting personal. It’s time to ask is what you observed being applied to your life? If not how can you apply this truth to your life? Write down practical ways you can apply what you learned and make the Word come alive in your life.</p>
P.	<p><u>Prayer:</u></p> <p>Consider what you have written so far in the last three steps. Write out a prayer telling God how the verse or passage impacted you and how it speaks to your life.</p>