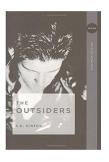


Hello Parents,

Below you will find the required summer reading list and activities for students to complete. Students are to read both novels for their grade levels and complete **TWO** assignments of their choice listed below. All assignments will be the due the first day of school.

Summer Reading List (7th-12th Grade)

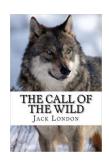
English 7: The Outsiders The Hobbit



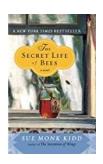


English 8: The Adventures of Tom Sawyer
Call of the Wild





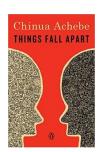
9th Grade (English I): Secret Life of Bees White Fang





10th Grade (English III): Once and Future King Things Fall Apart





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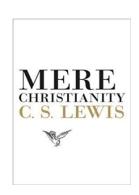
11th Grade (English II): The Book Thief Oliver Twist





12th **Grade (English IV):** The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes Mere Christianity





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Summer Reading Activities

Option 1: Select a major character from the required text and write your choice of a narrative-style prequel or sequel extending his / her story beyond the novel. (4 pages minimum)

Option 2: Write an imagined talk show script that includes a host and two to three characters from the text. Characters should discuss a common theme or conflict from the text. You may use textual excerpts to supplement their dialogue. (4 pages minimum)

Option 3: Create a college application that a character you have just read about could write and submit to a college. Use all the information you know about the character and infer and create the rest of it. On the application include Name, Academic Rank in Class, High School Courses Taken and Grades, Extracurricular Activities and Personal Activities, and Work Experience. Choose one of the following questions to answer in a two-page essay from the character's point of view: (1) what experience, event, or person has had a significant impact on your life? (2) Discuss a situation where you have made a difference (3) Describe your areas of interest, your personality, and how they relate to why you would like to attend this college. (Word Count: 300 minimum)

Option 4: Write a letter to one's congressperson requesting government interest/intervention in an "issue" portrayed in the book. (400-500 words minimum)

Option 5: Write a newspaper editorial for one of the following publications: NEW TIMES, NEW YORK TIMES, WASHINGTON POST, WALLSTREET JOURNAL. The editorial must be suitable for publishing and reflect an issue conveyed through the book. (400-500 words minimum)

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