



12 Honors and College Prep English Summer Reading

ALL STUDENTS MUST READ:

1984 by George Orwell (Required)
The Glass Menagerie – Tennessee Williams (Required)

HONORS STUDENTS ONLY: Choose ONE additional books from the list below.

The Princess Bride – William Goldman
The Book of the Dun Cow – William Wangerin
A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court – Mark Twain

ASSIGNMENTS AND EVALUATIONS:

All Students will take an OPEN-BOOK test on *1984* sometime in the first three weeks of school. (Warrior Week counts as the first week). Any annotations you put in your books are fair game, but you may not use any additional notes, printouts, etc.

Honors Students will have an additional essay on the *1984* test relating to the additional book each of them read: *The Princess Bride*, *The Book of the Dun Cow*, or *A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court*. Yes, this is open-book as well.

All Students will complete a PROJECT on *The Glass Menagerie*. Choose ONE option listed below. This assignment will be due by the end of the third week of school. (Again, Warrior Week is the first week).

I RESERVE THE RIGHT TO GIVE A TEST OVER *The Glass Menagerie* IF THE PROJECTS DO NOT DEMONSTRATE SUFFICIENT MASTERY OF THE WORK.

HOW TO PREPARE:

Read the books carefully and annotate them. Details are important, but general themes are more important. If you have questions, please email Mr. LaVohn at rlavohn@wcsmiami.org.

DON'T FORGET THE GLASS MENAGERIE ASSIGNMENT BELOW!

THE GLASS MENAGERIE ASSIGNMENT:

[Choose ONE of the following]

- A: Sketch costume designs for each of the four characters in the play; include swatches of fabric, and identify where in the play the character wears that costume. (Poster board, colored pencils or markers, fabric, typed descriptions).
- B: Create a glossary of historical terms to help others when reading this play. "Guernica," for example, is mentioned but not explained. (Typed and alphabetized, with page number references to the play)
- C: Design a PowerPoint presentation showing all the "magic lantern" slides. Include images where appropriate. (CD)
- D: Create a poster for a new movie of the play, illustrated with current actors and actresses; accompany it with a "review" of the movie identifying what traits (or previous roles) make those actors appropriate for the parts. (Poster board, pictures of actors, typed review)
- E: Draw or build the set for the play, including furnishings, in miniature. Include a written explanation of your design. (Whatever medium is appropriate, plus the typed explanation).
- F: Burn a CD with all the music mentioned in the play, including those not specifically named. Design an appropriate cover and include a list of songs in the jewel box case. (Note: The CD must be playable in a standard CD player).