



In Conroe ISD, we encourage all students to read over the summer in order to enrich learning and provoke thought. Summer reading strengthens reading skills, increases academic achievement, fosters a love for reading, and empowers students to become life-long learners.

Additionally, students who enroll in advanced English courses are expected to engage in summer reading as it provides preparation for the upcoming school year and creates a common framework for classroom discussion and instruction.

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## Oak Ridge English IV Dual Credit (1301/1302) Summer Reading Assignment 2021

Welcome to English IV Dual Credit 1301/1302,

English IV Dual Credit: English 1301/1302 Composition and Rhetoric is a college freshman level writing course that engages students in intensive study and practice in writing processes. Through the close reading of selected texts, you will focus on writing the academic essay as a vehicle for learning, communicating, and critical analysis. In addition, this course will provide a survey of Western Literature and explore the role and impact of literature on society.

The summer reading assignment is an essential feature of upper level English, and it serves two purposes: One: to keep students active as readers and thinkers during their break, and Two: to ease the reading load during the beginning of the school year. As you read, pay attention to the **characteristics of a hero** portrayed within the work. Annotations are highly recommended. You might also use PostIt notes or flags to mark excerpts of heroic behavior within the works.

Know yourself. Know that you cannot get these read with the depth for understanding beginning on August 1<sup>st</sup>. First step – purchase the book. Second step – give yourself a break before, during, and after your reading. Third – READ and ANNOTATE. You will be reading one nonfiction book. See the choices below.

### **Read one of the nonfiction works below:**

*Unbroken* by Laura Hillenbrand

*The Good Neighbor: the Life and Work of Fred Rogers* by Maxwell King

*The Hiding Place* by Corrie Ten Boom

*Man's Search for Meaning* by Viktor Frankl

Happy Reading – Happy Summer!

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