

English 12 Summer Reading Assignment

Welcome to English 12! Ms. Newell and Mr. Hibberd are eager to meet the class of 2013. When school begins in late August, you will be nine months away from the finish line...and a starting position. It is an interesting, enjoyable and sometimes, anxiety-producing time. We will prepare you to be an “informed citizen” in a society that changes quickly and that demands more and more from its young people.

Part of the responsibility of being informed is reading about the world both close to you and far from you and being able to express successfully an opinion about these worlds that is based on accurate information. Therefore, reading, discussing and writing about works of nonfiction (essays and articles) will be the focus of the class.

Reading Material (Read *three*)

EVERY English 12 student must read numbers one and two. The third and final reading choice from the list is a “free choice”.

1. “Americans’ Growing Dependency on Food Stamps”;
<http://kellygallagher.org/resources/AoW%2026%20Food%20Stamps.pdf>
2. “Five Myths About Healthy Eating”;
<http://kellygallagher.org/resources/AoW%2011%20Food%20Myths.pdf>
3. “One School Girl’s Protest of Seventeen Magazine”;
<http://kellygallagher.org/resources/AoW%2038%20Seventeen%20Magazine.pdf>
4. “Digital Shadow: How Companies Track You Online”;
<http://kellygallagher.org/resources/AoW%2031%20Digital%20Shadow.pdf>
5. “The Fragile Teenage Brain”;
<http://kellygallagher.org/resources/AoW%2019%20Fragile%20Brains.pdf>
6. “Bystander Psychology: Why Some Witnesses to Crime Do Nothing”;
<http://kellygallagher.org/resources/AoW%2012%20Witness%20Psychology.pdf>

Assignment

1. Since all English 12 students are required to read numbers one and two, open and review the remaining articles in order to decide on your free choice.
2. Review the directions at the top of each article and the writing topics at the end of each essay.
3. Closely read each of the three articles. Annotate as you read.
4. Gather your thoughts on each writing topic on a sheet of paper.
5. Type your one-page response to each of the three articles.
6. Submit the three responses as one document to www.turnitin.com. Use this information to enroll in a new class.

Class ID = 5176701 Password = 2013.

Note- If you have never used this site, you will have to register before submitting your responses.

Feel free to contact us with your questions.

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