



Poolesville High School

Summer Reading: Honors English 11



In English 11/Honors English 11, our first unit is called “Books that Cook” and involves literature that focuses on food in our culture. Your summer assignment will help to prepare you for this first unit.

Read the following non-fiction book, available through PHS or at your local library:

 *Eating Animals*, by Jonathan Safran Foer

After reading the book, complete the following assignments.

These assignments will be due on the first day of school, and will be used throughout our first unit.

Assignment 1: After reading the two chapters entitled “Storytelling,” explain why you think Foer would choose to begin and end his book in this way. Consider his overall purpose and argument, and how these first and last chapters might connect to his goals for the book.

Assignment 2: *Eating Animals* Chapter Summaries

After reading each chapter, record Foer’s specific points, and then summarize the argument Foer is presenting in that particular chapter.

Chapter # and Title	Three specific points Foer makes in this chapter	Summarize Foer’s overall argument in this chapter
Ch2: “All or Nothing or Something Else”		

Ch3: "Words and Meaning"		
Ch4: "Hiding/Seeking"		
Ch5: "Influence/Speechlessness"		
Ch6: "Slices of Paradise/Pieces of Shit"		
Ch7: "I Do"		