

Dear Honors English 11 Student,

We are very excited about the 2019-2020 school year. The goal of Honors English 11 is to prepare you for AP English and college level English classes; as well as to develop an appreciation of American literature. You are required to read The Glass Castle by Jeannette Walls this **summer**. As a part of Honors English 11, you will independently read a second book during winter break.

You can purchase this book or borrow it. Books can be purchased at all major booksellers or online for a reasonable price. It is strongly suggested that you own a copy of the book so that you can highlight, underline, or write notes in it. However, you can borrow it from a public library. For the winter book, The Scarlet Letter, there are free audio versions online, or in discs from the library-- listen while you read to aid your comprehension. Please see Mrs. Woodford in the main office before the end of the year if you need help obtaining a copy of the book.

Required Assignments (attached):

- Double-Entry Journal
 - Complete 5 entries based on assigned pages

Suggested Assignments:

- Character logs
- List of vocabulary words with definitions [student selection]
- Detailed chapter summaries: major character focus; major event; major conversation

You will also complete an essay in response to the memoir in **August**. You will probably need to re-read the novel and/or re-read your chapter summaries in preparation for the essay. We encourage you to wait until mid or late summer to read this book since you will be working extensively with it during the first quarter of the school year.

You are making a commitment as an honors student to complete your work to the best of your ability. You are expected to read the book and have the assignments completed by the first day of school, **August 21**. It is your responsibility to be done reading by that point and **extensions will not be granted**.

Please feel free to communicate with us via email should you have any questions or concerns about the requirements for Honors English 11.

Sincerely,

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Double-Entry Journal #1

Date:

Pages: 3-53

Topic of Focus [circle one]:

- parenting style
- luck
- forgiveness
- alcoholism
- child neglect
- self-reliance
- resilience
- mental illness
- poverty/social class

Quotes (words, concepts, passages)	Notes (definition, paragraphs, personal response, connections, inference)

Conclusion: Using quotes/notes from above, draw some conclusions about your subject. Be sure to use direct quotation and citation when supporting your analysis.

Double-Entry Journal #2

Date:

Pages: 54-109

Topic of Focus [circle one]:

parenting style

luck

forgiveness

alcoholism

child neglect

self-reliance

resilience

mental illness

poverty/social class

Quotes (words, concepts, passages)

Notes (definition, paragraphs, personal response, connections, inference)

Conclusion: Using quotes/notes from above, draw some conclusions about your subject. Be sure to use direct quotation and citation when supporting your analysis.

Double-Entry Journal #3

Date:

Pages: 110-163

Topic of Focus [circle one]:

parenting style luck forgiveness alcoholism child neglect

self-reliance resilience mental illness poverty/social class

Quotes (words, concepts, passages)	Notes (definition, paragraphs, personal response, connections, inference)

Conclusion: Using quotes/notes from above, draw some conclusions about your subject. Be sure to use direct quotation and citation when supporting your analysis.

Double-Entry Journal #4

Date:

Pages: 164-213

Topic of Focus [circle one]:

parenting style

luck

forgiveness

alcoholism

child neglect

self-reliance

resilience

mental illness

poverty/social class

Quotes (words, concepts, passages)

Notes (definition, paragraphs, personal response, connections, inference)

Conclusion: Using quotes/notes from above, draw some conclusions about your subject. Be sure to use direct quotation and citation when supporting your analysis.

Double-Entry Journal #5

Date:

Pages: 214-288

Topic of Focus [circle one]:

parenting style

luck

forgiveness

alcoholism

child neglect

self-reliance

resilience

mental illness

poverty/social class

Quotes (words, concepts, passages)

Notes (definition, paragraphs, personal response, connections, inference)

Conclusion: Using quotes/notes from above, draw some conclusions about your subject. Be sure to use direct quotation and citation when supporting your analysis.