

-2022- IB SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT

IB English HL 2 - Foothill High School

Welcome to English HL 2, the senior IB English literature class at Foothill High School. I look forward to working and learning with you in the upcoming school year!

As you prepare for your senior literature class, please know that the most effective way to improve your writing is by reading broadly from diverse works of literary merit. (Similarly, writing often and thinking like a writer will help your close-reading skills.) Therefore, in addition to your required summer reading, you should read other literary texts, based on your interests, ranging from young adult fiction and poetry to novels and memoir. Summer is the opportune time to read that book you've heard everyone raving about but never had the time to read yourself.

Aside from your pleasure reading, your **required summer reading** is:

Thomas C. Foster's How to Read Literature Like a Professor (Revised Edition, 2014).

Expect a short quiz and some writing on the advice and insights of this engaging guide to reading fiction in the first two weeks of class. This book will change the way you read and think about literature, so read it first, take notes, and review it at the end of your summer! You will apply the lessons of this book in all your literary reading for many years to come. Be ready to share with the class in August how this book has impacted your reading of other books you pick up for fun this summer!

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