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Dear Parents/Guardians,

On the back of this sheet, you will find your child's 2018 Summer Reading List. Your child must read at least one of the two novels from the list and make notes of any significant plot points, symbols, themes and ideas as they read. We have included a short synopsis of each book to help with your selection. We have also included a guideline to direct your child and help them take appropriate notes while reading.

Local book stores have the novels in stock, however, please procure books at the beginning of summer because it takes 2 to 3 weeks to receive books if they run out of stock. If ordering online please anticipate 2 to 3 weeks for novels to arrive, therefore do not wait until the end of summer to order. Public libraries are also a good option to find the novels.

Please take note that your child's Summer Reading Test will take place at the BEGINNING OF THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2018

Therefore, your child must be prepared to take their test, regardless of the English class they are placed in (whether Regular, Enriched, Sports Etudes or Resource. Extensions will be granted only to students who are new to the school and register late for classes.

We hope you and your child have a restful summer and we look forward to starting the new school year in September.

English Department Coordinators

Administration

Outline for Note Taking While Reading a Novel

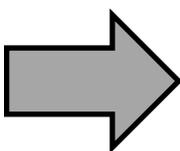
- 1) Read with a pen or pencil and some paper nearby so you can write down important words, ideas and names.
- 2) If there is information that you find difficult to understand don't hesitate to re-read passages. After each chapter or every few pages write down points or quotes that may help you remember significant ideas later on.
- 3) If you are distracted or find it hard to remember plot points, character names or events in the novel, take a break, and return to it a little while later.
- 4) Try to identify the theme of the story: the central idea or topic in a story that is expressed with more than just one word. What is the author trying to express through his/her writing?
- 5) If there is something you're not quite sure of don't be afraid to ask someone to clarify for you. Use a dictionary to look up difficult words!

Summary Points

Character Information

Theme/Ideas

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SECONDARY 2 SUMMER READING LIST AND SYNOPSIS

Zach's Lie – Roland Smith **Double – Jenny Valentine**

Zach's Lie – Roland Smith

Jack Osborne's life changes forever the night men in masks break into his house, threaten Jack and his family, and ransack their home. Jack then discovers the reason these men have come into their lives-his father has been arrested for drug trafficking.

Jack, his mother, and his sister are then forced to enter Witness Security Program. Jack becomes "Zach" and moves to Elko, Nevada, a town in the middle of nowhere. There he meets Sam, the strangest school custodian he has ever encountered, and Catalin, a girl who might make Zach's uprooting worth the trouble. But just as Zach finally begins to piece together a new life, he finds himself in danger again-and this time his actions could determine the fates of everyone he cares about

Synopsis from Chapters Indigo

Double – Jenny Valentine

When the sixteen-year-old runaway Chap is mistaken for a missing boy named Cassiel, his life changes dramatically. Chap takes on Cassiel's identity, gaining the family and friends he's always dreamed of having. But becoming someone else isn't as easy as he hoped—and Chap isn't the only one hiding a secret. As he teeters on the brink of discovery and begins to unravel the mystery behind Cassiel's disappearance, Chap realizes that he's in much deeper danger than he could have imagined. After all, you can't just steal a life and expect to get away with it. Award-winning author Jenny Valentine delivers an explosive mystery where dark secrets, betrayal, and loss pave the way for one teen's chance at redemption.

Synopsis from Amazon Canada

