

SOPHOMORE SUMMER READING 2026

REQUIRED *The Hunger Games*.....Suzanne Collins
Fahrenheit 451.....Ray Bradbury

*****English 2 Honors students must read the two required books, complete both parts of the assignment, and read Lorraine Hansberry's *A Raisin in the Sun*.**

English 2 and English 2 Honors students may also read any Extra Credit choices for extra credit. (Students must take an objective test in September and pass with an A to receive an extra test grade).

EXTRA CREDIT *The Scarlet Letter*.....Nathaniel Hawthorne
The Hunger Games Trilogy..... Suzanne Collins
The Handmaid's Tale..... Margaret Atwood
Catcher in the Rye.....J.D. Salinger
The Natural..... Bernard Malamud

Summer Reading Assignment:

Fahrenheit 451* and *The Hunger Games

Part A: Read and annotate each novel. Students will be tested in class. Be prepared, your teachers will determine the date of each test.

Part B: (For Honor Students Only) Read *A Raisin in the Sun* and complete the assignment below.

ANNOTATION: You are to annotate looking specifically for new characters, events, and themes.

Some thoughts while annotating:

1. Describe all characters introduced within the scenes and the significance of each.
2. Describe any significant event that takes place within the scenes and how it relates to the theme of the story.
3. What do you think the author is trying to say in each of the scene?
4. Underline at least one quote that best represents the scene.

****Remember the more detailed the annotations, the easier the test.**

SOAPStone: Include SOAPStone for the entire book (adapted from AP Central's "SOAPStone: A Strategy for Reading and Writing").

(What does SOAPStone mean?)

S = Speaker or speakers: the narrator of the story

O = Occasion: the time, place of the piece and overarching event that is taking place in the story

A = Audience: who is the audience that the speaker is addressing

P = Purpose: why did Hansberry write this play; the reason behind the play

S = Subject: what are the themes or subjects that are being addressed

T = Tone: what is the author's attitude?

Be prepared to take a multiple-choice test covering the entire play. You will also use this play as your first in class writing assignment. So come to class prepared – a copy of the play (electronic or paper copy), paper, and a pencil or pen.

If more information is needed about SOAPStone, please contact Mr. Reed:reed@gchsrams.org