

AUSTIN HIGH SCHOOL'S

AP LITERATURE SUMMER ASSIGNMENT (SENIOR AP)

REQUIRED READING (YOU MUST READ THESE BOOKS)

<i>How to Read Literature Like a Professor</i>	Foster	entertaining guide to literature
<i>A Place for Us: A Novel</i>	Mirza	2020 Common Reader Selection by the National English Honor Society

ASSIGNMENTS

Select and purchase a reading journal to use for the year. It can be any size or style. You may choose a simple spiral notebook or a formal leather-bound journal. I tend to gravitate to a smaller sized page to make the journal more compact and easier to carry around, but you may choose what works for you. Be intentional about your choice.

Use your new reading journal to take notes on each chapter of *How to Read Literature like a Professor*. You will have a project assigned for this title when we get back to school. Journal entries should include the chapter titles and subjects along with a short summary of each chapter (3-4 sentences per chapter). The journal entries you complete over the summer will be part of your grade for the project.

You will also use your reading journal to take notes as you read *A Place for Us: A Novel* by Fatima Farheen Mirza. Taking notes as you read will be helpful to prepare for the in-class essay you will write when we return to school. Use your journal as a space to think about the novel and to track the development of ideas, settings, and characters. In the essay you write, I will be looking for your understanding of the novel as a whole along with your analysis of complex relationships in the text. I will also use that in-class essay as a diagnostic to document your skills at the beginning of the year.