

English I & II Honors Summer Reading Project 2018-19

This assignment is found on the WSHS homepage at the bottom right.

Read ALL of the following directions at the beginning of the summer BEFORE beginning this project! Read ALL of the instructions on the dialogic chart as well.

1st--Purchase TWO Books--the novel *Thunder over Kandahar*--used paperbacks approximately \$6.00 or new hardbacks \$16.00 AND the memoir *I Am Malala*--used approximately \$6.00 or new \$10.00

2nd--Important Information:

Afghanistan has been heavily in the news ever since the September 11, 2001 attack on New York City: "This attack began a war on October 7, 2001. The War in Afghanistan began when U.S. and British forces initiated aerial bombing campaigns targeting Taliban and al-Qaeda camps, then later invaded Afghanistan with ground troops of the Special Forces. This eventually led to the overthrow of the Taliban rule of Afghanistan with the Fall of Kandahar on December 7, 2001 by U.S. led coalition forces." *Thunder over Kandahar* will give you a different perspective of this time period from the eyes of two Afghan teenagers specifically and other Afghans as well.

AS YOU READ, you will fill out a reading dialogic chart (see below). Please read *Thunder over Kandahar* FIRST. It is an easy book to read, and we think you will find it very enjoyable. Next, read *I Am Malala*. *I Am Malala* is the true story of a "girl who stood up for education and was shot by the Taliban" in Pakistan. We believe this memoir will be much more interesting to read AFTER you read *Thunder over Kandahar*.

These two books will give you a worldview insight into the life of teenagers, parents, and people in general in the Middle East during this current yet historical time period.

3rd--Make an English I or II Honors 2018-19 Folder in Google Drive and be prepared to share it with your English Honors teacher as soon as you know who they are.

Name your folder according to the following format:

Your Last name, First name English I or II Honors 2018-19

4th--Click on this link to go to the [dialogic chart](#) and **FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS** at the top!! Please **PREVIEW** the entire chart and assignment at the beginning of the summer, so if you have any questions, you can email Ken Macon or Cindi Ward right away.

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The deadline for completing this assignment is the FIRST day of school REGARDLESS of whether you have English first or second semester. Start right away!

If you have any questions about this project, contact either English teacher by mail right away. **Do NOT wait to begin this project.** Neither of these books is difficult to read. You will enjoy both of these books if you do not procrastinate.