

Summer Assignment for Honors English 10

Welcome to Honors 10! By applying for this class, you have made the decision to challenge yourself early in your English career. The decision is commendable, but like all challenges, it is easier on paper than in practice. With that said, your first real challenge will be working when you don't want to, the summer! ☺

The Summer Assignment is designed to prepare you with the actual knowledge, skills, and reading habits that will help you be successful in an honors level, literature-based course. Please read through the directions carefully. If you do not understand a task, read through it again, slower and more carefully. This is the first step to being a good reader and a good student! (If you are unwilling to reread text multiple times for understanding, you have signed up for the wrong class.) Now, if you are still unclear about any part of the assignment, please come see me before June 20th or email me: rechert@stanwood.wednet.edu

Part 1: Purchase *How to Read Literature Like a Professor* by Thomas C. Foster. You will need to read the "Introduction" through Chapter 15, "Flights of Fancy". The book can be ordered through Amazon or purchased at Barnes Noble. Local libraries may have a copy as well.

Part 2: You will complete a Summer Assignment Journal for each of the chapters in the Summer Assignment (that is 16 total). I have attached a template that you should use for the journals. Your journals **must be original**; this is not a cooperative assignment.

You will turn in all of your journals to Turnitin.com. These journals will be submitted as two separate assignments, "H10 Summer Journals Set 1" and "H10 Summer Journals Set 2". I have attached directions (back of this paper) for enrolling into my class on Turnitin.com. (It is imperative that you figure this out and/or troubleshoot – by emailing me – any issues BEFORE the due dates. There will be no exceptions to the late work reduction.)

H10 Summer Journal Set 1 ("Introduction" - chapter 7) due: **July 31st**

H10 Summer Journal Set 2 (chapters 8-15) due: **August 31st**

Journals are scored as a **set; late **sets** will be marked down 50% and NO journals will be accepted after September 5th)

Part 3: You will encounter a plethora of titles, of both long and short texts, referenced by the author Foster. It is expected that you have not read these. However, that should not hinder your ability to understand the points Foster makes through these literary examples. Still, the texts he refers to are all considered literary classics (by someone, somewhere) and likely you will read several of them as you continue your English career. For that reason, you will need to choose **one** short story (no novels or fairy tales) mentioned in Foster's text. Get a printed copy of it and read it! Once for the story; and twice "Like a Professor". Our first in-class writing assignment will rely on your close reading of the story you choose.

Directions for Turnitin.com:

Class Name: **Honors Summer Class**

Your class ID is: **15558293**

Your class enrollment key is: **Echertsummer**

1. Go to www.turnitin.com
2. If you've used Turnitin.com before, use the above noted class ID and password to enroll in the "Honors Summer Class." If not, continue on ...
3. Click on the "Create Account" link in the upper right hand corner.
4. On the next window, where it says "Create a New Account", choose the "Student" link.
5. Follow the directions on the New User Page. You must use the class ID and class enrollment password listed above. (Do not cut and paste into these fields.)
6. Enter an email address that you check—your Stanwood High account
7. Once enrolled, your class will show on your homepage.