

# Advanced English 10

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## 2020 Summer Reading Assignment

In Advanced English 10, we study literature and look for connections among many varied texts. This summer you will begin this literary journey by purchasing and reading the novel *Dreamland Burning* by Jennifer Latham. This book follows the lives of two main characters – one contemporary and one historical. Their stories present several themes which we explore throughout the year in Advanced English 10.

### Where Do I Find the Book?

- *Dreamland Burning* is available through our local bookstore, Auburn Oil Company, or you can order online through Amazon, BAM, and Barnes and Noble. You may purchase a paper or a digital (Kindle, e-reader, etc.) version.
- The Auburn Public Library on East Thach Avenue has a few copies of the novel; however, if you check out a copy through the library, please be mindful that other students may want to check out a copy, too. Do not hold onto the borrowed book for the entire summer.
- You also may be able to find a rising junior who has a copy you can borrow.

### What Do I Need to Do?

- Read the book! We suggest you focus on plot and character as you read. Note the two primary settings.
- You will take a 100-point, multiple-choice test over your comprehension of *Dreamland Burning* on the first day of your English class. You may bring one 4" x 6" notecard with any HANDWRITTEN notes you took while you read. **NOTE:** The notecard may have notes written on **ONE SIDE only**.

### Final Thoughts

- **Your test over *Dreamland Burning* will be given on the first day you have class with your English teacher.** For some of you that will be the first day of school. Remember that the school year always starts on a Blue Day. If you are not sure which day you will see your English teacher, bring your notecard on the first day of school just in case.
- Do not procrastinate. Secure a book and start reading now.
- Enjoy the book! ☺



### Questions? Email us!

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**Want to improve your reading fluency?**

**Looking for ways to excel on the ACT/SAT reading section?**

**Bored? Need something to read that will challenge you?**

**Check out our novel suggestions!**

**Please Note:** the titles listed below are merely suggestions and are **completely optional**—you will **NOT** be tested on any of these. The list contains a mixture of classic and contemporary works.

**A word of caution:** The books on this list are adult texts written about the world from an experienced perspective. You need to carefully investigate the books you are interested in prior to reading. Get parent/guardian approval for any of the books on this list. Please be aware that Advanced English 10 is a class for mature students who can read with critical minds. During the school year, we will read some novels with adult issues and themes, for we are attempting to better understand the human experience. Therefore, we expect our students to be mature readers.

*Emma*—Jane Austen

*The Alchemist*—Paulo Coelho

*All the Light We Cannot See*—Anthony Doerr

*The Count of Monte Cristo* (abridged version)—Alexandre Dumas

*The Night Circus*—Erin Morgenstern

*Little Fires Everywhere*—Celeste Ng

*Where the Crawdads Sing*—Delia Owens

*Long Way Down*—Jason Reynolds

*Doctor Zhivago*—Boris Pasternak

*The Joy Luck Club*—Amy Tan

*The Hate U Give*—Angie Thomas