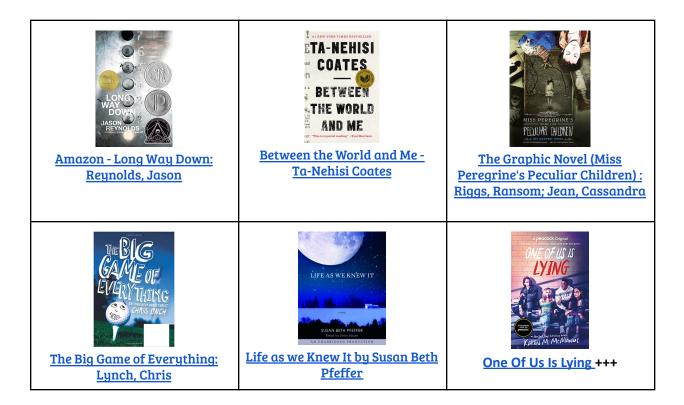
Cromwell High School REQUIRED Summer Reading 2023

Read a Book. Write an Analysis. Join a Book Talk.

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ASSIGNMENT - Analyze a Quotation: Although you must provide <u>some</u> context, this is an analysis, not a summary. Choose an important quotation and discuss how it connects to an element of literature (character, setting, conflict, theme). Review the rubric. Then, set up your document like the model. Prepare to talk about your book and to submit your analysis on the first day of school. This will be your first grade of Quarter 1.

Text: *The Hunger Games* **Sample Quote:** "Even though trespassing through the woods is illegal and poaching carries the severest of penalties, more people would risk it if they had weapons. But most are not bold enough to venture out with just a knife" (5).

In *The Hunger Games,* people live in fear of a government that abuses its power. The place where Katniss Everdeen lives, District 12, is oppressed to the point that many people go without food daily. Unlike many others. Katniss has the ability to hunt for animals and she is about to sneak into the woods to hunt for food. In doing so, she accepts two risks: doing something that is already considered illegal and hunting with only a simple knife. Knowing that she will face the "severest of penalties" for breaking this law, she is still "bold enough" to be a risk-taker (5). Katniss realizes the value of doing anything necessary to survive. Her family needs to eat and she is willing to take any risk to help feed them and face whatever consequences are delivered by the government for breaking the law. She does not seem swayed by the possible "penalties." Being "bold" to hunt without a knife shows her bravery and even her courage. These are qualities that Katniss demonstrates often. As an initial act of bravery, she opts to put her name in the dangerous and possibly deadly lottery twenty times in exchange for more food for her family. Suzanne Collins establishes Katniss's heroic qualities early on through the hunt and the tickets because the same risk-taking, bravery, and courage are qualities Katniss needs to compete and survive in the actual Hunger Games. She is admirable because she looks after not just herself, but her sister and mother as well, and later after others in the games. Regardless of the situation, Katniss refuses to let fear dictate her actions and control her life. She believes that people should do whatever they can to stand up to the government's abuse of its people.

	Meets Expectation (3)	Approaching Expectation(2)	Below Expectation/Not Submitted(0-1)
Quotation Choice	Quotation has a clear connection to the important qualities of the text (character/ theme/setting/ conflict/etc.)	Quotation has a limited connection to the important qualities of the text (character/ theme/setting/ conflict/etc.)	Quotation lacks a connection to the important qualities of the text (character/theme/setting/confl ict/etc.)
Analysis	Analysis of text clearly explains the importance of character/ theme/setting/ conflict/etc.	Analysis of text is limited in its explanation of character/ theme/setting/ conflict/etc.	Analysis of text lacks explanation of its importance to character/ theme/setting/ conflict/etc.
Grammar, Punctuation, and Mechanics	Response demonstrates proper use of grammar, punctuation, and mechanics.	Response has minimal errors in use of grammar, punctuation, and mechanics.	Response has significant errors in use of grammar, punctuation, and mechanics.

Summer Reading Analysis Rubric

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