The Potomac School English 11 and English 11: AP Literature

Summer Reading Assignments 2019



English 11 Summer Reading:

ALL Rising Juniors will choose to read ONE of the following:

- Interpreter of Maladies by Jhumpa Lahiri (ISBN:039592720X)
- How the Garcia Girls Lost Their Accents by Julia Alvarez (ISBN: 156512975X)
- The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao by Junot Díaz (ISBN: 1594483299) or
- Americanah by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie (ISBN: 0307455920)

Active Reading:

- While you are reading, please use a pencil to note such features that intrigue you, such as characterization, conflicts, imagery, recurring motifs or themes, symbols, structural techniques (flashbacks, shifting narrators) and elements that indicate cultural identification.
- Students should read with the following question in mind:

In this text, what are the factors (social, cultural, political, economic, material, etc.) that contribute to the characters' sense of belonging? How does the text emphasize the importance of those factors of characters' inclusion in (and exclusion from) groups?

**English 11: AP Literature extra Summer Reading assignment:

- 1) AP Literature students **must also actively read** *Catcher in the Rye* by J.D. Salinger (ISBN: 7543321726)
- 2) Please fill out a Major Works Sheet for **both** of the novels you read (you will turn these in on the first day of school).

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