

## English I Honors Summer 2021 Reading Assignment

All incoming ninth grade students who enrolled in English I Honors will read both of the following texts:

*Animal Farm* by George Orwell

*Make Your Bed: Little Things That Can Change Your Life...and Maybe the World* by William H. McRaven

### **ASSIGNMENT FOR ANIMAL FARM**

As you read *Animal Farm*, take notes and annotate the text. Type your notes in MLA format (Times New Roman, size 12, double-spaced, one-inch margins) and use the heading listed below. You should have a minimum of one page per topic listed below (six pages).

*These are notes and annotations that you should make related to the text.*

- Identify the main characters.
- Identify conflicts within the novel.
- Identify a theme and passages that prove this theme.
- Make connections to other texts, stories, or events in history.
- Circle/underline words that are unfamiliar and then define them.
- Summarize each chapter.

Be prepared to discuss and complete activities upon returning to school. Bring your novel and notes with you on the first day. **A test will be given during the first week of school.**

### **ASSIGNMENT FOR MAKE YOUR BED**

After reading the book, create a five paragraph essay that analyzes three of the lessons from the text. You will explain what you learned from the lesson and how you can apply this to your life, school experience, and relationships. A hard copy (printed copy) of this assignment is due the first day of school.

**Organize your essay following the guidelines below:**

Paragraph One: Introduction (4-6 sentences)

Paragraph Two: Lesson One - applied to your life, school experience, and relationships (5-7 sentences)

Paragraph Three: Lesson Two - applied to your life, school experience, and relationships (5-7 sentences)

Paragraph Four: Lesson Three - applied to your life, school experience, and relationships (5-7 sentences)

Paragraph Five: Conclusion (4-6 sentences)

**Your essay must be typed in MLA format (Times New Roman, size 12, double-spaced, one-inch margins) and include the heading listed below. Be sure to check spelling, grammar, and punctuation.**

**Your heading should look like this and should appear in the top left corner on the first page:**

Your Name

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**Subsequent pages should have your last name on the top right margin with the page number. (Ex: Smith 2).**