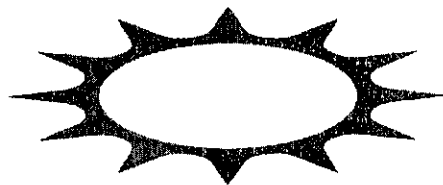


Lawrence High School

Summer Reading



"Reading improves your vocabulary and your knowledge of the world. It can open minds to different ideas which may challenge our own and cause us to view things in a different light."

Option #1	Option #2
Myon Current Events Reflection	Book Reflection
Myon publishes 5 engaging current event articles each day. Students must read 20 articles throughout the summer and complete the accompanying assignment.	Students can choose a book from the following list. Students should submit 20 journal entries as they read.

Option #1 Myon Current Events Reflection

Writing Prompts:

1. Article Reflection Summary

- Article Title and Date
- Who is the article about? (What group, person, and/or organization is involved?)
- What is taking place in the article? (What events, conflicts, circumstances, cause/effect is discussed?)
- When did this take place? (Include the time, date, duration of the event, or the sequence of events discussed.)
- Where did this event take place?
- Why? (What is the importance of the event, reason for the article, relevance to other events, or your personal connection to the topic?)
- How? (How does this topic impact you, your family, your community, our country, and/or the world?)

2. Article Reflection- Vocabulary Focus

- Article Title and Date
- Briefly summarize the article.
- Select 5 important vocabulary words that are used in the article, and for each term:
 - i. Define what the word means.
 - ii. Put the definition in your own words.
 - iii. Explain how the word is used in the article.

3. Article Reflection- Author's Purpose

- Article Title and Date
- Briefly summarize the article.
- What was the author's purpose in writing the article? (Is the author trying to persuade, entertain, inform, or explain?)
- What are three examples from the article that support the author's purpose?
- Do you agree or disagree with the author? Why or why not? Explain your opinion on the topic discussed by the author.

4. Article Investigation and Analysis

- Article Title and Date
- Briefly summarize the article
- What is the problem presented in the article?

- What is the solution to the problem?
- How did the article make you feel? Explain.
- How will information from the article change the way you think?
- After reading the article, what additional information would you like to learn about the topic presented?

5. Written Editorial Response and Analysis

- Create a response to the article where you share your opinion on the topic discussed.
- Present the topic and share your opinion.
- Convince your audience that your opinion is correct by using supporting facts from the article as well as outside information.

6. Visual Editorial Response and Analysis

- Create an image or a cartoon that reflects your opinion on the article.
- Include a one paragraph response that explains your drawing, opinion, and how it relates to the article.

Option #2- Book Reflection Writing Prompts:

1. How are the characters developing? Do you dislike certain characters? Are some characters dynamic? Are some flat? Do the characters change over the course of the story? How are the events or other characters influencing or motivating the characters?
2. What are the conflicts in the book? Why are these conflicts developing? Are these conflicts internal (within the characters) or external (from outside sources)?
3. Who is the narrator of the book? From what point of view is the story told? Why do you think the author selected this perspective and what effect does it have? Would a different narrator or different narration improve the book?
4. What is the author's tone towards his or her subject? What two words best define the tone of this book? What scenes, episodes, or examples are good examples of the author's tone?

5. What is the mood created in the reader by this book? What examples best reveal the mood of this book?
6. If you could be one of the characters for one day, who would you be and why? Who would you definitely not be and why? Explain your choices.
7. What would you change in the story? How would you improve it?
8. Select a passage and annotate it for literary elements including theme. Then after you annotate it, explain why you chose this selection over others.