

# English 4 Summer Reading

*A Thousand Splendid Suns* by Khaled Hosseini; ISBN: 9781594483851

All students should finish their summer reading novels BEFORE the first full day of school, and they should bring a copy of the novels to class on that day. Discussions and assignments involving the summer books will begin as soon as school starts.

The following are expectations for summer reading:

1. Read the entire novel. You can read them in any order you'd like. Enjoy your reading!
2. As you read, pause to summarize for yourself what is happening. Use the white space in the book or post-it notes to write small summary notes so that you will be able to refer to the important parts of the text later.
3. Underline/highlight/mark significant passages. Note when characters are introduced and described and when important plot events occur. Reviewing these passages will help refresh your memory before you return to school.
4. Review the passages you have marked before class begins. Before you come to class, be sure that you have a basic understanding of plot and the main characters.

Internet summary sources should NOT be consulted and are not needed for success in our classes. Using them in place of or in conjunction with the assigned reading violates our SAA honor code.

I look forward to discussing the books with you and using them to launch our curriculum next August.

Enjoy your summer and your summer reading!

