

# Summer Assignment 2022 for Advanced English II

Welcome to Advanced English II! We commend you for choosing the advanced English program, and we are thrilled that you have decided to enroll in our course. This will be a busy year, but it will be a fun and rewarding one as well. We promise to work hard to prepare you for the challenge. Let's get started!

Every student who will be enrolled in Advanced English II during the 2022-2023 school year will choose one multimodal text set (which includes a print text and a podcast or TED talk) at the bottom of this letter. We want you to focus on multimodal texts because the definition of text has evolved. International Literacy Association (ILA) has defined literacy as the ability to identify, understand, interpret, create, compute, and communicate using visual, audible, and digital materials across disciplines and in any context.

When school starts, you will be writing an extended constructed response over your selected text set during the first two weeks of the school year. We encourage you to annotate (take notes) as you read by marking or noting 6-10 specific quotes/passages that stretch your thinking and/or speak to you in a profound way. You will be able to use your annotations as you craft your constructed response during class, so please be prepared to use text evidence to discuss connections and theme(s) across your text set. You might also use the simple annotation method (a combination of notes in margins and your own notes on the digital texts) below:

! = anything I agree with, am interested in learning more about, or enjoyed

? = anything that I question or need more information about

X = anything I disagree with or feel was not presented with enough evidence

Circle or highlight = anything that was particularly poignant, beautiful, or worth repeating

Feel free to download your text, TED Talk, and/or podcast before you leave for the summer so that you have plenty of time to analyze these texts.

# **Choose ONE of these text sets:**

Chapter I of A Long Way Gone

## WATCH:

Angela Duckworth's TED Talk:
https://www.ted.com/talks/angela\_le
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assion\_and\_perseverance?language=
en

Transcript of TED Talk is available

#### READ:

Chapter I of Obsessed

### LISTEN TO:

Anthropocene Reviewed Podcast (only listen until 8:25):

https://www.wnycstudios.org/podcas ts/anthropocenereviewed/episodes/episode-7-the-

yips-and-cnn

# READ:

"The Danger of a Single Story"

### WATCH:

Robin Hauser's TED Talk:
https://www.ted.com/talks/robin\_haus
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n\_leaders\_may\_2022?language=en

Transcript of TED Talk is available

Any additional questions? Please contact any of the EMS teachers listed below. We look forward to working with you next year!

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