

Summer Reading: Honors 10, 2021-2122 School Year

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You have two required summer reading books for Honors English 10:

- *The Handmaid's Tale* by Margaret Atwood
- *In the Time of the Butterflies* by Julia Alvarez

Read and annotate **BOTH** books and bring them to class at the start of next school year. If you use a library copy, take good notes (include direct quotes and page citations) and make sure you renew/check out the books again for the start of school.

Five-paragraph essay:

Both *The Handmaid's Tale* and *In the Time of the Butterflies* deal with women living under oppressive governments. Select ONE of these novels and discuss how women break out of their society's traditional gender roles to challenge these oppressive regimes.

Write a five-paragraph essay with a thesis at the end of the introduction that lists your three body paragraph topics. You may discuss one or more characters from the same novel. Avoid plot summary; assume your audience has recently read the book and provide brief context for quotes and examples, but do not retell the story. Describe events from the novels in the present tense.

Use the book as your only source; do not use any other material. Direct quotes from the text are encouraged but should make up no more than 20% of the paper. MLA format for in-text citations looks like this: (Atwood 34). Since you may have editions of the book with different page numbers, include a Works Cited page with an MLA citation for your copy of the novel.

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