Summer Reading Assignment
Gates Chili High School
Honors Program

Writing Task Directions:
Whether you are reading fiction or non-fiction, you will need to complete:

a. a journal entry during reading
b. an essay after reading

Your work will be assessed using the attached rubric. The two assignments will be collected on the first day of your Honors English class. All work should be original and your own.

Fiction:

a. Journal Entry: Midway through your reading, reflect on whether you are enjoying or not enjoying the book and why, your opinion of the author's style and structure, and the pacing of the narrative. The response should be at least 300 words.

b. Essay: What is the central idea of the text, and how did the author develop this central idea? Support your opinion with details from the text. The essay should be multiple paragraphs and at least 500 words.

Non-fiction:

a. Journal Entry: About midway through your reading, reflect on how appealing the writing style is to you and whether you are enjoying the book and why. The response should be at least 300 words.

b. Essay: What is the claim made in this non-fiction text, and how did the author develop this claim in the text? Do you agree or disagree with author's claim? Support your opinion with details from the text. The essay should be multiple paragraphs and at least 500 words.