

Calera High School Summer Reading Assignment English 11

Choose a Book

Students entering 11th grade English (except for students entering AP Language) will choose ONE book from the grade summer reading list below to complete the following activity.

- *Catch 22* by Joseph Heller
- *Catcher in the Rye* by J. D. Salinger
- *Flowers by Algernon* by Daniel Keyes
- *A Separate Peace* by John Knowles.

Assignment

The following assignment is due when students return from summer break and they will give it to their current English teacher who will assess it. Complete all four of the following activities regarding the book of your choice. Each part counts for 25 points for a total of 100 points.

1. Connect to World:

Find a news article/current event that relates to the text. Print or cut out the article to include in your assignment. Then, explain in a well-supported, detailed paragraph how the news article/current event connects to (your book choice).

2. Connect to Self:

Write a well-developed paragraph about how (your book choice) can relate to your own life. To what situations and/or characters can you relate? Why? Have you had any similar experiences? How so?

3. Connect to Literature:

Write a well-developed, well-supported paragraph explaining how (your book choice) connects to another piece of literature you have read. You could connect the novel to another novel, a poem, a song, an essay, a memoir, etc.

4. Connect to Art:

Find four different covers used for (your book choice). Print a small picture of each cover and place one in each of the four boxes below. Choices can be in a different language as long as they are the same book. Choose one book cover and write a well-developed paragraph analyzing why the artist may have chosen to depict in their cover certain ideas, themes, issues, etc. present in the novel. Be sure to label the option number in your paragraph.

Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4