

## 10<sup>th</sup> GRADE REQUIRED ENGLISH SUMMER READING

### ***One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*** by Ken Kesey

You are required to have this book read by the first day of school. There will be a reading quiz the first week of school. As you read, think about the questions listed below:

1. What do the Chief's voice problems suggest about him and his place in both the world and the institution?
2. At the end of chapter one, Chief Bromden says this about the experience in the asylum that he is about to describe, "it's the truth even if it didn't happen." What does he mean by this and how does it relate to what Kesey is doing in the novel?
3. Does McMurphy help or hurt the other patients?
4. What is it that Kesey is criticizing in the novel?

Optional, but recommended reading:

*In Cold Blood* by Truman Capote

*The Bluest Eye* by Toni Morrison

*The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* by Mark Twain

*Slaughterhouse Five* by Kurt Vonnegut