

11th GRADE REQUIRED ENGLISH SUMMER READING

The Things They Carried, by Tim O'Brien

This book is a collection of short stories. Read all of the stories by the start of school and write a 1-2 page typed, double-spaced response to the following prompt:

Choose a non-war story from the novel and discuss in a meaningful way how it relates to the book's war stories. You must quote where relevant.

Your response is due the first day of class. If you are going to Muss, take the book and paper with you.

Optional, but recommended reading:

Invisible Man, by Ralph Ellison

Catch-22, by Joseph Heller

In Our Time, by Ernest Hemingway

A Prayer for Owen Meany, by John Irving

American Pastoral, by Philip Roth

The Age of Innocence, by Edith Wharton

The Glass Menagerie, by Tennessee Williams

The Sun Also Rises, by Ernest Hemingway