

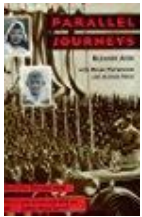
ENGLISH II HONORS

SUMMER READING/DIALECTICAL JOURNALS 2019 SHS

Summer Reading Texts

You will read and complete a Dialectical Journal for **each** of the following: *Parallel Journeys* by Eleanor Ayer, a set of memoirs set in Germany during World War II, and *The Metamorphosis* by Franz Kafka, a novella that tells the story of salesman Gregor Samsa who wakes one morning to find himself transformed into a huge insect.

To secure *Parallel Journeys* and *The Metamorphosis*, honors students, as outlined in SHS' Curriculum Guide, should purchase this book (print or electronic) so they can highlight and annotate the texts (electronic versions allow students to annotate using many built-in apps). Students can secure the book via a variety of vendors such as Barnes and Noble and Amazon. One company that sells print copies at reasonable prices is Prestwick House (www.prestwickhouse.com or 1.800.932.4593).



Parallel



The Metamorphosis
(a PDF version is available online)

Ordering
ISBN#s:

ISBN-10: 6050353492
ISBN-10: 6050353492
or ISBN-13: 978-6050353495

Journeys

Ordering ISBN#s:
ISBN-10: 0689832362
or ISBN-13: 978-0689832369


Steps for Completing the Dialectical Journals for Each Selection

As you read, choose from each book 25 passages/quotations that stand out to you (make sure your entries come from the beginning, middle, and end of the books). Record these in the left-hand column of a T-chart (ALWAYS include page numbers, or record Locator #s if text is electronic). In the right column, write your response to the passage/quotation (ideas/insights, questions, reflections, comments on each passage). You may use loose-leaf paper, though word-processing the Dialectical Journal is best. Again, you need 25 entries per text. See the sample Dialectical Journal entry below:

Parallel Journeys by Eleanor Ayer

Quotes/Passages from Text	My Response
<p><i>Germany no longer was a free country. But few people seemed to care. Men were back at work earning money once again. Families had food on the table and clothes in the closet. For most, these benefits were much more important than the right to privacy or the right to speak in public. No one cared (or dared) to speak out against Adolf Hitler (Chapter 1, page 5).</i></p>	<p>It's hard to understand why people would give up their freedoms; however, this quote makes you realize that sometimes survival is more important than freedom. This is probably how Hitler was able to gain power so quickly. At this time in history, many countries were experiencing Depressions. All the people wanted was money for food and other basic necessities.</p>

NOTE: During the Quarter 1 Grading Period, you will be given credit for your Dialectic Journals as part of your grade (100 points; 50 points per book). Expect to be "tested" on these texts. You will also use the journal entries to complete commentaries, analyses, and projects as you connect them to selections we will be reading as part of the course.

 Finally, in addition to Summer Reading, you are encouraged to check out **KhanAcademy @**

<https://www.khanacademy.org/sat>. Through **KhanAcademy**, you can begin prepping for the Scholastic Achievement Test (SAT) by completing practice lessons at least 45 minutes a week. Get a jumpstart on preparing for college-admissions requirements @ **KhanAcademy**.

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