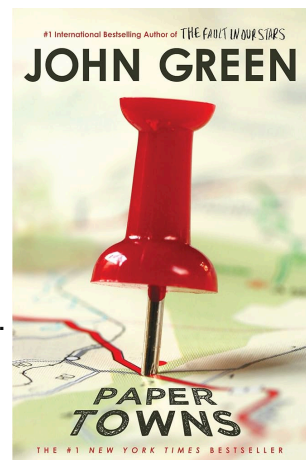


12th ENGLISH SUMMER READING 2024

Summer reading for 12th grade English will consist of 1 assignment. Please read all directions carefully! Summer reading is due on the FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL! Contact me at cburnette@bullochacademy.com with any questions.

PAPER TOWNS BY JOHN GREEN

When Margo Roth Spiegelman, Quentin Jacobsen's longtime next door neighbor, beckons Quentin out of his house in the middle of the night—dressed like a ninja and plotting an ingenious campaign of revenge—he follows her. Margo's always planned extravagantly, and, until now, she's always planned solo. After a lifetime of loving Margo from afar, things are finally looking up for Q as high school graduation is on the horizon . . . until day breaks and Margo has vanished. Always an enigma, Margo has now become a mystery. But there are clues. And they're for Q. Urged down a disconnected path, the closer he gets, the less Quentin sees of the girl he thought he knew.



ASSIGNMENT: ANALYSIS QUESTIONS

Type or handwrite your answers to the questions below. These answers should be detailed, thoughtful, and demonstrate that you thoroughly read the novel.

1. For the 2 main characters (Quentin and Margo), describe each character in 2 “character trait” adjectives (ex: selfish, loving, conceited, etc.) In a paragraph, explain how the words you chose fit the character using specific references to the book.
2. Identify the major conflicts in the novel (man vs. _____) and explain what the conflict is. You can do this as a list, but make sure to note all conflicts that are present throughout the book.
3. What is the climax of the novel? Explain how this part of the plot is the climax. How does everything lead up to it and fall toward the ending after it?
4. Since your novel is a mystery, several pieces of information are withheld throughout the book and revealed later. In your opinion, what is the biggest plot twist in your novel? What made it so surprising to you?
5. The poem “Leaves of Grass” by Walt Whitman is crucial to the novel’s plot. Discuss how this is used to help Quentin solve the mystery. Provide 2 specific examples of how lines in the poem were clues.
6. In your opinion, what are the two most important topics/ideas in this novel? Explain how these topics/ideas are developed throughout the novel. These two words/phrases should summarize the plot and the overall meaning of the text. (Ex: family, secrets, regret, etc.)

****YOU WILL TAKE A QUIZ OVER YOUR NOVEL DURING THE FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL. MAKE SURE YOU ARE PREPARED!!****