

## Honors ELA 12 Summer Assignment

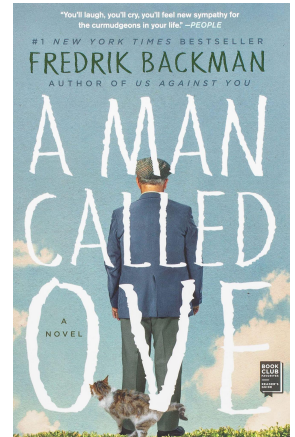
### *A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman

#### About the Book

“You’ll love him as much as he hates you.”

Meet Ove. He’s a curmudgeon—the kind of man who points at people he dislikes as if they were burglars caught outside his bedroom window. He has staunch principles, strict routines, and a short fuse. People call him “the bitter neighbor from hell.”

But must Ove be bitter just because he doesn’t walk around with a smile plastered to his face all the time? Behind the cranky exterior, there is a story and a sadness. So when one November morning a chatty young couple with two chatty young daughters move in next door and accidentally flatten Ove’s mailbox, it is the lead-in to a comical and heartwarming tale of unkempt cats, unexpected friendship, and the ancient art of backing up a U-Haul. All of which will change one cranky old man and a local residents’ association to their very foundations. - *Amazon*



There are copies available in C203 to borrow. If you do not borrow one, you must obtain your own copy of the book. Used copies are available at this time for as low as \$2.

[https://www.amazon.com/Man-Called-Ove-Novel/dp/1476738025/ref=pd\\_lpo\\_1?pd\\_rd\\_i=1476738025&psc=1](https://www.amazon.com/Man-Called-Ove-Novel/dp/1476738025/ref=pd_lpo_1?pd_rd_i=1476738025&psc=1)

#### Google Classroom

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B Weeks: <https://classroom.google.com/c/NjEzMTcxNDcyODg1?cjc=d7sc1p>

#### Assignment

**Reading:** actively read and annotate the text. You may annotate using a dialectical journal (double-entry notes), writing directly onto the pages, or in-text sticky notes. If you do not annotate, you are not actively reading. You will need to show proof of your annotations.

**Writing:** Write a reflection addressing the portrayal and effect of one of the following topics found in the novel: resilience, accountability, love, loss, and family.

**Make sure this is uploaded to Google Classroom by 7:45 AM on August 30, 2023.**

#### Writing Mechanics

- 2-pages, minimum
- MLA format: double spaced, 12-point, Times New Roman Font, 1 inch margins

**Important Note:** You will be working with *The Man Called Ove* for your **entire** first academic cycle. This is your opportunity to prepare for the first month of ELA well in advance and lessen your workload during an already very hectic time of year. Reading this book is not optional for the course. Not completing this assignment will result in a 0 for not only your summer reading grade, but also all associated assignments during Cycle 1. Consider this an opportunity to start the year off on the right path with the reading already complete for the month of September instead of treading water early in the year.