English 10 - Summer Assignment 2019-2020

The Rest of Us Just Live Here by Patrick Ness

A limited supply of books will be available at Diman for you to borrow over the summer. You may purchase your own copy on Amazon.com or Barnesandnoble.com. Barnes & Noble in Dartmouth will also have a limited number of copies available for purchase.

Your assignment this summer is to read The Rest of Us Just Live Here and to complete a reflection for each chapter. These reflections must be handed in on the first half day of academics. B cycle must turn in their reflections on Wednesday, August 28 and A cycle must turn in their reflections on Thursday, August 29. Each reflection should be a minimum of 3 sentences. Questions may be included in your reflections. Use the handout that is printed on the back of these directions to get some ideas on how to start your reflections. Remember, a reflection is not a summary of what you have read. It is writing down your thoughts about what you have read.

You will also have a multiple choice assessment on the book. A cycle’s test will be the last day of your first cycle of academics which is 9/13/19. B cycle’s test will be the first day of your academic cycle which is 9/16/19. You may use your handwritten reflections on the test. Your reflections will count for 50% of your summer reading grade. The multiple choice test will count as the remaining 50%.

The following is a sample of a reflection from another science fiction book, The Giver:

I can’t believe all of the unusual rules such as not riding your bike until you are 9 or having only 2 children. I have more questions than answers. I wonder where the children come from that a couple receives. I also wonder what release means. I think it’s some kind of a punishment but what kind of punishment. There is so little freedom and so much control. The book reminds me of The Hunger Games and Divergent.
Reader Response Log

Each reflection should be at least 3 sentences. The following is to help you get started in your reflections:

This reminds me of … (either in your life or in another text)

I think that the next thing that will happen is… (Tell why)

While reading this section I wondered… (Tell what you wonder and explain why)

I liked/didn't like it when … (Tell what happened and why you feel this way)

I don’t understand why… (Tell why you don’t understand)

Now I understand…( Give answers you may have found to your questions)

I was surprised when…or I couldn’t believe… (Tell what happened and why you feel that way)

I think that… (Tell what you think and why)

I can imagine ( Tell what you imagine and why)

Be sure to refer to the text when writing your reflections. Tell what is happening in the story that you are referring to.