

**The Charles Finney School
Mrs. Lydon
English 9
Summer Reading**

Students will pick a book of their choice. The requirements are as follows:

- The book must be fiction. (autobiographies and biographies will not be accepted.)
- The book must be **at least 150** pages in length.
- Try to stay away from a book you've already read. There are lots of good books out there!
- Graphic novels are okay but they must be at least 200 pages in length.

Paper Directions:

- **Project is due Friday, September 9th. Projects will be deducted 10 points each day they are late. Students who do not turn in summer reading will fail the quarter. Projects are weighted as 40% of the total quarter 1 grade.**
- Students will need to find 15 unknown vocabulary words and type their definitions.
- The paper should be 2 pages, typed and double spaced in Times New Roman font. Students should include a heading with their name, date and class. Each number below represents a SEPARATE PARAGRAPH. I would like you to detail the following in your papers:
 1. Provide me with a brief summary of the book including who, what, when, where, how and why.
 2. Detail why you chose the book you did. Did someone recommend it?
 3. Detail if you liked the book. What was it about the book that you liked? If not, what didn't you like about it?
 4. Find two specific quotes from the book and explain what they mean and how they are important to the story.

Some of my personal recommendations:

Fever, 1793 by Laurie Halse Anderson

The Lord of the Rings by JRR Tolkien

Chains by Laurie Halse Anderson

American Born Chinese by Gene Luen Yang (Graphic Novel)