Academic Challenge

Level 2 English
Summer Reading 2021

Students entering AC Level 2 English are required to read three books. Pick **one book from each group** below.

WORLD LITERATURE

1. Chinua Achebe - **Things Fall Apart**
2. Kahled Hosseini - **The Kite Runner**
3. Markus Zusak - **The Book Thief**

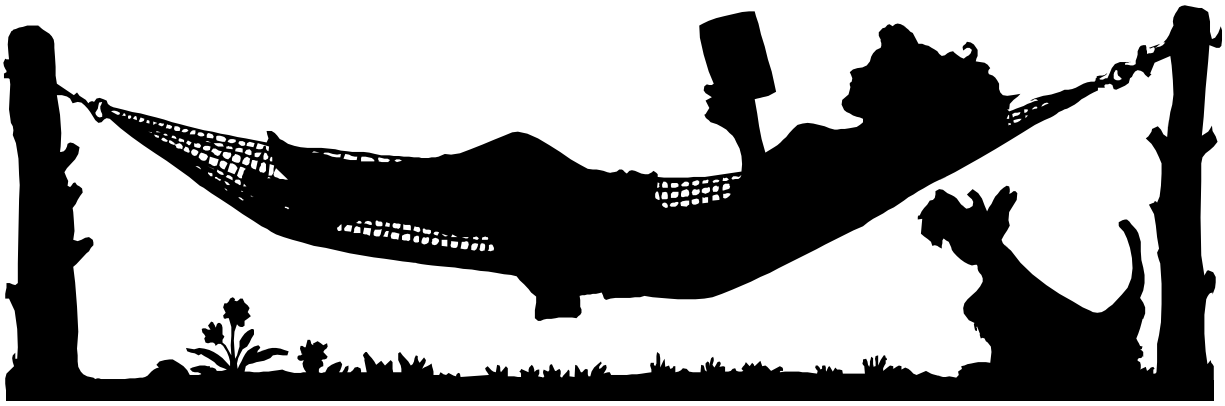
BRITISH LITERATURE

1. Mary Shelley - **Frankenstein**
2. Agatha Christie - **Murder on the Orient Express**

NON-FICTION

1. Jeannette Walls - **The Glass Castle**
2. Ron Cotton & Jennifer C. Thompson - **Picking Cotton**

For each of the three books you choose, take notes to prepare for an exam on the first day of class in the fall. Your notes should focus on the following:

- Who is the protagonist (main character)? How would you describe him/her?
- Who is the antagonist (the character who opposes the protagonist)? How would you describe him/her?
- What is the nature of the conflict between the protagonist and the antagonist?
- Who are the secondary characters and why are they important?
- What is the main theme (author's message) of the book?
- What makes this book important, or worth reading, in your opinion?

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