

## English II Honors Summer Reading 2017-2018

We will begin the course with literature that explores roles of women and civil disobedience. To begin an initial exploration of these issues and other literary elements that will be covered throughout the course, you will read one of the novels listed below and complete the chart that follows.

### Book choices:

*Speak*

*Legend*

*Divergent*

*The Book Thief*

### Textual elements to explore:

- Challenging authority:
  - A character defies a law or rule that he or she finds to be unjust
  - A character works to change or draw attention to laws or rules that are unjust
- Challenging roles of women:
  - A female character acts in a way that defies expectations normally held for girls or women
- Dangers of inaction:
  - A character does not take action against something that is wrong and negative consequences occur
- Character motivation:
  - Why a character acts in a particular way or makes a particular choice
- Literary devices and effect:
  - Simile, metaphor, personification, imagery, allusion, irony, hyperbole, symbolism, motif, conflict
- Something you connect to:
  - An example from the text that reminds you of something you've read in another book, seen in a movie, or experienced in real life
- Something you feel strongly about:
  - An example from the text that elicits a strong reaction, either positive or negative

Text Feature	Example from the Text (Include page number and use MLA citation - example included.)	Significance (You must have at least three sentences of explanation.)
<p><b>Example from <i>Fahrenheit 451</i></b></p> <p>Challenging Authority</p>	<p>"We can't burn these [books] I want to look at them, at least look at them once" (Bradbury 66).</p>	<p>In this society, owning books is prohibited; however, Montag thinks there must be some value in the books and wants to discover what the books hold. He defies the law against owning books because he feels that his society is missing something valuable and believes that the books might hold the meaning and sense of purpose that is missing from the society.</p>
Challenging Authority		
Challenging Authority		
Women Who Defy Expectations		
Women Who Defy Expectations		
Dangers of Inaction		
Dangers of Inaction		
Character Motivation		
Character Motivation		
Literary Device (Label the device)		
Literary Device (Label the device)		
Literary Device		

(Label the device)		
Personal Connection		
Personal Connection		
Reaction		
Reaction		

### Rubric

<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>
Includes 15 quotes that accurately convey the text feature.	15	
Includes an in-text citation for each quote.	15	
Explanation is at least three thorough sentences that explore the significance of the quote within the novel.	45	
Total	75	