

## English II Pre-AP/GT Summer Reading



While you're having great fun in the sun slipping slushies, don't forget that you have a summer reading assignment:

*The Lord of the Flies* by William Golding

As you dig into the intricacies of the novel, I would like you to annotate the text. You can do this in a number of ways using a highlighter, stickie notes, or underlining to mark key passages. I would like you to have at least 10 passages marked for immediate discussion when class starts. What should you look for? Things like:

- Themes
- Questions to the characters or to the author
- A rich passage of diction, imagery, & details
- Personal insights, connections, and/or irony
- Poetic writing
- A passage you have a strong reaction to
- A motif or repeated patterns
- What other novel/character does the passage remind you of?
- What movie/TV show does this scene remind you of?
- Have you ever witnessed any of this behavior?
- When/what do you learn about human nature?

So, when you find a passage that you want to interact with, mark it, and then either write your idea/question/reaction in the margin or on a separate piece of paper (I prefer it to be IN the book; that's how you really interact with a work). This is not a formal assignment, so don't go write a paper. I want you to read the novel and to come to class ready to discuss key passages that you find meaningful; that you have questions about; and that you feel speak to the author's intent.

Be prepared for a quiz over the novel the first week!



Have a great, relaxing summer!