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English II C.P.

Summer Reading 2011

For Summer Reading, I have tried to find books that will challenge you, make you think, and, hopefully, that you will enjoy!

College Preparatory English II

A Separate Peace by John Knowles

Emma by Jane Austen

Summer Assignment:

Prepare the following book cards for each novel read this summer. The requirements for the book cards are as follows:

- **USE ONLY 5x8 CARDS!!!** Other sizes are not acceptable.
- Fill the front (lined side) of each card and continue on the back if needed.
- Card categories:
 - ✓ **Authorial Background:** Where and when born, and major influences. What happened to make him or her write this book? Include other texts this author has written (one card).
 - ✓ **Literary Period/Country:** In what country and city does the novel take place; during what period of history. What was happening in the country, society, and time period that the book was written? (one to two cards)
 - ✓ **Setting:** Time and place. Is the setting significant to the work? Why or why not? (one card)
 - ✓ **Characters:** List the major characters along with details of each. The main character should have a card of his or her own. Use quotations from the text to help describe the characters. Be sure to include traits—good and bad (three to four cards).
 - ✓ **Plot Summary:** Be specific (three to four cards).
 - ✓ **Significant Passage:** Choose a passage from the work that “struck” you as memorable or outstanding. Explain why and relate its significance to the work (one or two cards).

Due Date: First day of school.

All book cards are due on the first day of class. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!