

## 112 (11<sup>th</sup> grade on-level) American Literature 2024 Summer Reading

### Texts and Assignments:

- Read one of the following books: *Range* (Epstein), *David and Goliath* (Gladwell), *Grit* (Duckworth), or *Quiet* (Cain). As you read, pay attention to how the author develops the primary argument of the text. Students will take a quiz on their chosen book in August.
- Complete the writing assignment based on the prompt below. It is due on the first day of school and will be scanned for AI and plagiarism detection through TurnItIn.

### Writing Assignment:

Write a 1-1½ page letter (typed, double-spaced, 12-point TNR font) to incoming freshmen offering advice about how to be more successful at Walton. Base your advice off key arguments presented in your book of choice. Using proper MLA citations, embed at least three relevant quotes and two personal anecdotes related to the author's arguments into your letter.

**Summer reading assignments must be completed individually and without the use of AI, online sources, or other study aides. Students who commit an infraction of the Honor Code will receive a grade of zero on the assignment, an N in conduct for this semester in 112 American Literature, and an administrative referral.**

### 112 Written Assignment Rubric

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

½ Essay Grade (100 points)		Points Earned
<b>Content</b> (60 points)	-Details, quotes, and evidence come together to develop a clear understanding of the author's line of reasoning -Letter uses a minimum of 3 quotes and 2 anecdotes to create a coherent letter -Letter includes advice for incoming freshmen pertinent to the text.	
<b>Clarity/Conventions/Format</b> (30 points)	-Letter is clearly written with few minor mistakes that do not interfere with reader's understanding. -Letter is in 12-point Times New Roman font, double-spaced, MLA formatted (heading, header, etc.).	.
<b>Organization</b> (10 points)	-Letter begins with a something to engage the reader -Letter has a greeting, body paragraphs, and a closing -Style and tone are appropriate for a formal letter	

Total: \_\_\_\_\_/100 points