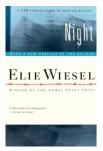
## **ENGLISH 10 SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT**

## MEMOIR: Night by Elie Wiesel (nonfiction NEW/CLEAN COPY in PRINT only - ISBN-13: 9780374500016)

**SUMMER READING GOAL:** In addition to helping encourage you to create a life-long habit of reading, as teachers, we truly want you to enjoy your summer reading book. In fact, we hope that reading it might even inspire you to pick up another book and another... We realize that as a tenth grader, you have read about the Holocaust by this point in your academic career, but Wiesel's non-fiction account offers a different perspective, one that is rooted straight from his time in one of the deadliest concentration camps in Europe. It's haunting and tragic, and the images will stay with you for life. All the more reason to remember that these things really occurred in our history and to address the relevance it has today.

## **REQUIRED READING**



*Night* is Elie Wiesel's masterpiece, a candid, horrific, and deeply poignant autobiographical account of his survival as a teenager in the Nazi death camps. This new translation by Marion Wiesel, Elie's wife, and frequent translator, presents this seminal memoir in the language and spirit truest to the author's original intent. And in a substantive new preface, Elie reflects on the enduring importance of *Night* and his lifelong, passionate dedication to ensuring that the world never forgets man's capacity for inhumanity to man. *Night* offers much more than a litany of the daily terrors, everyday perversions, and rampant sadism at Auschwitz and Buchenwald; it also eloquently addresses many of the philosophical as well as personal questions implicit in any serious consideration of what the Holocaust was, what it meant, and what its legacy is and will be.

Think about this essential question while reading, and if you choose to text mark, make notes in your book that relate to this question: As you read, consider what causes a person to change and what effects result from these changes. What experiences help us understand the human journey from inhumanity and suffering to redemption?

## **OPTIONAL TEXT MARKING**

In addition to reading the novel, upon returning to school, students will be responsible for a **100-point objective test** on the memoir **as well as a summative written essay.** You will be permitted to use your markings on the essay if you choose to do them.

As you read, consider identifying one experience Elie goes through from each chapter and analyze how each experience contributes to his development over the course of the book.

You may choose to consider the following:

- His relationship with his father
- His faith
- His mental strength
- His tolerance for injustice

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