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AP ENGLISH 12

Unit 1: The Good Life

Summer Reading

Name: _____

Date: _____

Section: 12.1 (D) 12.2 (A)

Summer Reading Assignment

Over the summer, please:

1. Read *The Autobiography of Malcolm X*, by Malcolm X and Alex Haley.
2. Write **3 journal entries** at different parts of the book, for each book (**for a total of 6 journals, if you're attempting to do honors**). Don't do all your journal entries about the beginning of the book, or the middle, or the end—instead, show me you read the whole book by writing journal entries about various sections of the book.

Here are some prompts you might want to use for your journals. You can also write about anything else the book makes you think of!

- Discuss a decision that the narrator or main character makes. Do you agree or disagree with the decision made? Would you do the same thing? Why or why not?
- Find a character (such as Elijah Muhammad in *The Autobiography*) whose morality is ambiguous. In your opinion, are they a good person or a bad person?
- Discuss an idea, conflict, or theme presented in the book. Do you agree or disagree? Does it apply to your own life? Why or why not?
- What did this book teach you about morality, good and evil, or living a good life?

In each journal entry:

- Use evidence from the text (no less than 3 DRT's/SRT's)
- Write 1 page, double spaced, typed, size 12 Times New Roman or Arial font for each journal entry
- Print your work and bring it to school on the first day.

Email me if you have questions: cstarling@ccscambridge.org