



Southmoore High School Honors English II Summer Reading Assignment 2020-2021

All students enrolled or intending to enroll in Honors English II will be required to complete a summer reading assignment. Students are asked to read and complete the analyzing fiction assignment.

This year's book is titled The House on Mango Street by Sandra Cisneros.

It is suggested that you purchase your own copy of the book so that it can be marked up and used during the first few weeks of the school year. You may go to Barnes and Noble, Half-Price Books, or any online store to purchase a copy.

Assignment details:

1. Read the entire book.
2. Use the following D.I.D.L.S. template to analyze the book.

D.I.D.L.S	Definition	Questions to consider
Diction (Choose 10)	Word choice, denotation, and connotation	Which words did the writer choose? What is associated with those words? What is the effect of these words?
Images (Choose 10)	Evocative, concrete imagery	Which words and phrases appeal to the senses? What is the effect of the image?
Details (Choose 5)	Facts included or omitted	What details the the writer include? What do these details imply? Which details are left out?
Language	Overall style of writing	What kind of language does the narrator use? What does the language suggest about the narrator?
Syntax	Sentence Structure	What are the sentences like? How do the length and/or complexity of the sentences impact meaning?

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