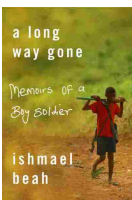
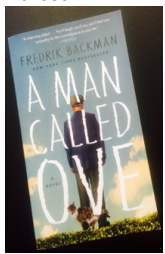



Summer Reading 2023
10 Honors

This summer, you are required to read TWO books. Gareth Hinds' graphic novel, [The Iliad](#) is required for all, and you will choose ONE book from the list provided. You are required to annotate while reading, but you are NOT required to complete an assignment with the books over the summer. Please read and enjoy each story! While you read, you should look for major ideas and/or lessons presented in the story and how these lessons, though they come from other countries and cultures, can be applied to the world at large. Consider how cultural, physical, or geographical surroundings shape moral traits in the characters and in ourselves. *Note: Please be aware that you may find material in some texts objectionable that others find acceptable. If in doubt about the subsequent book options, check with your parents to help you make a good decision.

| Title and ISBN | Author | Region | Description |
|---|-----------------|--------------|---|
| <p><i>A Long Way Gone: Memoir of a Boy Soldier</i> ISBN#0374531263</p>  | Ishmael Beah | Sierra Leone | The book is a firsthand account of Beah's time as a child soldier during the civil war in Sierra Leone. Beah ran away from his village at the age of 12 after it was attacked by rebels, and he became forever separated from his immediate family. |
| <p><i>A Man Called Ove</i> ISBN#1476738024</p>  | Fredrik Backman | Sweden | A grumpy yet loveable man finds his solitary world turned on its head when a boisterous young family moves in next door. Meet Ove. He is a curmudgeon, the kind of man who points at people he dislikes as if they were burglars caught outside his bedroom window. He has staunch principles, strict routines, and a short fuse. |
| <p><i>Life of Pi</i> ISBN0156027321</p>  | Yann Martel | Canada/India | Piscine Molitor "Pi" Patel, a Tamil boy from Pondicherry, explores issues of spirituality and practicality from an early age. He survives 227 days after a shipwreck while stranded on a boat in the Pacific Ocean with a Bengal tiger named Richard Parker. |

There will be an assessment upon your return to school. It will tentatively be scheduled for September 8, 2023.