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Summer Assignments for English 3AP

Next year, we will be studying British Literature in a chronological fashion. It is a difficult year for English. As the complexity of the literature grows, so does the frequency of written assignments.

In order to prepare yourself for this, I am asking that you do the following:

Read the following books:

- *Literary Theory: An Introduction*, Terry Eagleton
- *Grendel*, John Gardner
- *Beowulf: A New Verse Translation*, Seamus Heaney
- *A History of Britain I*, Simon Schama (make sure you get number “1” 1000 B.C. to 1603)

Make sure you pace yourself throughout the summer. These are weighty books, it would be very difficult, if not impossible, to try and read them all in the last two weeks of the break.

There will be a few different assessments in the first week of school regarding the content of these books.