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Summer Assignments 2021 - 2022 • English I/English I Honors

English I: Read one mandatory text and one text from the ‘choice’ list. For the mandatory text, annotate each chapter with a **minimum of 3** annotations with page numbers for each. *Number them: 1,2,3. **Write down the original text you are annotating. ***Annotate. These annotations should exist on a separate document; they will be collected or submitted. For the optional text, prepare for a reading check. You will be expected to write an essay on either your mandatory or optional reading book during the first week of school.

Required Text: *Flowers for Algernon* - Daniel Keyes

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- *Paper Towns* - John Green

Annotation Suggestions:

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- Predictions
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- Connections: text to text, text to self, text to world
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- Theme
- Symbolism
- Mood/Tone
- Characterization: How does the author develop the characters?
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