

**Pre-Advanced Placement English II  
Summer Reading Assignment 2009  
Rouse High School**

**Required Novel**

**All Quiet on the Western Front** by Erich Maria Remarque

If possible, you should purchase your own copy of All Quiet on the Western Front. It is a tremendous advantage to be able to take notes in the margins and underline or highlight notable passages. And, should you study this novel again in college, your own annotated and highlighted copy will be invaluable. You may check out a copy of All Quiet on the Western Front from the RHS English Department (see Ms. Welge in the RAID Lab Room 1204) if you choose not to purchase your own.

All Quiet on the Western Front is available at local bookstores, as well as through online retailers such as Amazon.com. You may want to check Half Price Books (located at 183A and 1431, as well as other locations around Austin) if you would like to avoid paying full retail price for a brand new copy.

**The Best Approach**

Allow time to read the novel carefully. Attempting to shortcut the summer reading assignment by resorting to secondary sources such as Sparknotes, Cliff's Notes, etc. is a sure recipe for boredom and possible failure. **Just read the book!**

**Expectations**

*You are expected to read the novel, complete the attached writing assignment, and be prepared for an assessment over the book by **the first day of school**. Failure to complete the summer reading assignment can result in transfer to a regular-level English class as well as a failing grade on the test you'll take.*

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**Upon receipt of this assignment, sign below and return this bottom section to your current English teacher. Signing this document indicates that 1) you have received the assignment and 2) you understand that failure to complete the assignment by the first day of class may result in your being transferred to a regular-level English class and a failing grade on the test over the book.**

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