

# Reading for Pleasure

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**Welcome to Reading for Pleasure!** Get ready for a skills-building and enthusiasm-building semester of reading, reading, and more reading. PLEASE TAKE THIS CLASS ONLY IF YOU ENJOY READING.

During class time, you will be expected to be reading (go figure) as well as expressing your ideas and responses to what you are reading. You will need to have print (not on your phone!) reading material (a book or magazine) to read during every class period. If you do not bring a book or magazine, I will expect you to choose one of mine available in the classroom and read it until you finish it.

With your positive engagement and efforts, your time in Reading for Pleasure will be significant and rewarding.

## In-class Activities

Generally, class will open with a short whole-class reading or viewing and discussion activity. This could include:

- an intriguing passage in a book
- an article about something fascinating
- tips on reading proficiency or enjoyment
- an issue or event being discussed on social media or other media
- an interesting question asked by someone in the class
- a short poem or quote

Following the reading / viewing, we will have a short class discussion before you begin your personal reading. I EXPECT YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN DISCUSSIONS.

## How Your Grade Will Be Determined:

Your grade in the course will be based on the following:

- your attendance--**which also means remaining in class during the entire period!**
- your participation in class discussions
- your engaged reading during class (no sleeping!—this isn't Napping for Pleasure)
- your completed reading log, which will include a daily record of what you read (date, title, author, pages read) and what you got from your reading (something interesting about a character or idea); **or** your response to something we read/viewed and discussed in class

Be sure to use my website, [mayswebsite.com](http://mayswebsite.com), to answer your questions and to view any class discussion material you missed during an absence. Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.