Complete your summer reading before the first day of school. Bring your assigned book with you on the first day of class. Each student is expected to write a response essay based on **ten** questions from the Ideas for Summer Reading Responses.

## **English I**

The Old Man and the Sea by Ernest Hemingway

## **English II**

Animal Farm by George Orwell

# **English III**

Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck

## **English IV**

Frankenstein by Mary Shelley

#### Ideas for Summer Reading Responses (Sentence Starters)

- 1. When I started reading this book, I thought... Once I read more, I realized that...
- 2. I loved (scene in the book) because...
- 3. My favorite character was... because...
- 4. I was surprised when... I expected...
- 5. I liked the way the writer...
- 6. I didn't like... because...
- 7. This part of the book reminded me of...
- 8. When (someone did something or something happened), it made me feel...
- 9. This part/passage made me realize...
- 10. When I read (specific part of book), I pictured... (Draw or write your response.)
- 11. My favorite character was (name of character) because...
- 12. My least favorite character (name of character) was because...
- 13. I really admire (name of character) because...
- 14. One thing I noticed about the author's style is...
- 15. In my opinion the most important word/sentence/paragraph in this chapter/book is... because...
- 16. (Name of character) reminds me of myself because...
- 17. (Name of character) reminds me of (somebody you know) because...
- 18. When I finished this book, I still wondered...
- 19. When I read the part about..., I didn't understand... at first. After re-reading it, I think I've figured it out. I think...
- 20. (Event in the book) reminded me of (something that happened to me) when...
- 21. It made me angry when... because...
- 22. I thought it was really funny when... because...
- 23. When I read..., I felt so sorry for... If I could have, I would have...