

French Summer Reading Assignment

Students who have just finished **French 1** (and will be taking French 2 next year):

- Read Chapters 1 & 2 of “Le Petit Nicolas” by Sempé-Goscinny
 - Un souvenir qu’on va cherir, pgs. 7-14
 - Les Cowboys, pgs. 15-20
 - Copies of “**Le Petit Nicolas**” can be ordered through Amazon.com (or other sellers) using ISBN # 9782070364237.
 - We will also read other chapters and use this book throughout the school year.

Students who have just finished **French 2** (and will be taking French 3 next year):

- Read “Le Petit Prince” by Antoine de St. Exupéry
 - Copies of “**Le Petit Prince**” can be ordered at Amazon.com (or other sellers) using ISBN # 9780156013987.

Students who have just finished **French 3** (and who are planning on taking Dual Credit French next year):

- Read “Le racisme expliqué à ma fille” by Tahar Ben Jelloun
 - Copies of “**Le racisme expliqué à ma fille**” can be ordered through Amazon.com (or other sellers) using ISBN # 9782021408089.

Students should be prepared to take a test on the book that they have read during the week that we return from summer vacation (Chapters 1 & 2 only for those rising to **French 2**). Bilingual versions of these books may be available and you may read the book in its English version, however, you must also read the book in its French version or you will not understand the vocabulary or the questions on the test. The test will be in FRENCH!

- You should try to read at least a paragraph at a time without stopping to translate words, that way you will pick up the meaning of many words by their context. If you still don’t understand certain keywords, then go back and translate just the words that you need to understand the passage. **Keep a journal or log** of the words that you look up because the same words tend to be repeated frequently in literary works. These are the same words that will probably be key words on the test so it simplifies your studying!
 - French 2 and French 3 students - this journal or log should also include key characters, simple concepts and main ideas of the text. There is no minimum word count on this but your journal or log will be reviewed for a grade and will be used as our study guide for the test.
- Please be careful if you decide to order the books on-line, as there are different versions of **Le Petit Nicolas** and **Le racisme expliqué à ma fille**. Please use the versions listed above.

- We may have a few **used** copies of Summer Reading Books available on a first come first serve basis, or ask a friend a year ahead that has taken the class.
- If you have any additional questions you may email either Mrs.Morningstar at michellemorningstar@iwacademy.com or myself at cheriwilson@iwacademy.com.
- Have a great SUMMER VACATION! BONNE VACANCES!