

## English 3 Honors Summer Work for 2017|2018

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### Assignment #1 | Due: First day of class

A PDF with multiple American Dream texts is located under “Resources” in the Schoology group “2018 English 3 Honors Summer Work” (access code: N2HFT-3KNGG). Please print this out for annotating. If you need a printed copy, please stop by Ms. Elrod’s room before final exams to request one.

The essay you will eventually write once back at school will ask you to define the American Dream in one or two words. Keep this in mind as you annotate and especially as you find your three additional sources. **Be sure you do your own work; this is not a group assignment!**

- As you read each text in the PDF, circle or highlight (**at least 3 per page**) moments that reveal something important about the American Dream. **Look for moments that move beyond just defining the Dream and start answering how and why questions.** (Ex: If you notice that the Dream keeps connecting back to home ownership, look for evidence that explores why owning a home is so important.)
- Draw an arrow from each moment to the marginal note you make.
- Print out and annotate, in the same fashion, three **additional** sources. Attach these behind the PDF annotations. Be sure to include author and title.
  - One source should be an image **or** a text (prose or verse) ranging from 1-4 pages in total or in excerpt.
  - One source should be selected from the articles posted at <http://www.theatlantic.com/projects/american-dreams/>. (“Why the American Dream Will Never Die” is already included in the provided PDF, so don’t annotate this article again.)
  - One source must be a scholarly article found through DISCUS (user name: **discus18** password: **explore**). Search for articles dealing with specific aspects of the Dream that you need more evidence for (such as “US homeownership”). Searching “American Dream” may not be that fruitful.

### Assignment #2 | Due: 4th day of class

Read John Steinbeck’s *Of Mice and Men*.

- **Be ready the second day of class to take a reading accountability test.**
- Since you may also be using this novella as a source for your eventual essay, please make two-column notes on a separate paper that identify **at least six moments** (page numbers & brief quotations) dealing with the American Dream and the meaning you see being made.
- All moments need to begin to offer answers to how or why the Dream exists in the manner it does in the novella.
- **You will turn these notes in right before the reading test!**

Moment Quoted w/ Page #	Meaning
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2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	