

**SUMMER READING REQUIREMENT**  
**Matanzas High School**  
**English 2 Honors**

Students enrolling in **English 2 Honors (Grade 10)** must read **A Separate Peace** by John Knowles and respond to this essay question:

**One of the themes in the novel A Separate Peace deals with the definition of “separate peace” and how different characters try to acquire it. Discuss how each of the novel’s main characters seeks to acquire peace on a personal level, and whether each achieved that peace or not at the conclusion of the novel.**

You must submit the essay on Thursday, September 10, 2009. On that same day in class, you will have an objective test on the novel as well. Although you will be turning in a print copy of the essay, you will also need to submit the essay through the website [www.turnitin.com](http://www.turnitin.com), a plagiarism detection site utilized by Matanzas High School faculty. I will provide instructions for logging in and utilizing this site during the first week or two of class.

The essay must be doubled-spaced, in Times New Roman font, plain text format, 12 point type, with one-inch margins on all four sides. Create a “header” at the top of the page which includes your name, period and date, and a “footer” at the bottom to number the page of your response.

In order to answer the question fully, the suggested length of the essay is approximately three-typed pages or about 1,000 words.

The essay will be evaluated using the rubric on the reverse side of this sheet.

**Questions?**

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