

**Baldwin Senior High School  
English Department  
Summer Reading**

**English AP Language and Composition**

**June 2011**

**Required Summer Reading Assignment**

**To all prospective English AP Language and Composition students:**

The following required reading has been chosen to prepare you for our study of language and composition next year. You are required to read a total of three works; two are mandatory and one is a free choice based on the author list that appears below. The two works that you must read are:

**A Room of One's Own by Virginia Woolf  
The Woman Warrior by Maxine Hong Kingston**

**Please note that all texts are available in paperback and can be purchased at various local bookstores.**

Students must take notes on all texts. Notes will be reviewed in September as part of your summer reading assessment.

**Below is a list of celebrated authors, all of whom played a pivotal role in the development of the literary canon. You must choose one author and read one of his or her full-length works. You may choose to use this text as a basis for your research requirement that will be assigned in the spring. You will also receive an assessment on this work in the fall.**

**Margaret Atwood  
Jane Austen  
E.M. Forester  
Henry James  
Toni Morrison (any text except The Bluest Eye)  
VS Naipaul  
Alice Walker  
Richard Wright**

**Above all, I look forward to a wonderful year of scholarship and hard work.**

**Sincerely,  
Ms. Hughes**