

2026 - 2027 12th Grade British Literature: Summer Reading Assignment

Reading: *The Hobbit* by J.R.R. Tolkien

- Each student should read his or her assigned book during the summer and be familiar with it when the school year begins. Upon returning to school in August, each student must be prepared for an in-class assessment and an in-class writing assignment over his or her assigned book. Happy Reading!
- Be prepared to discuss the following themes in your assignments when we return:
 - Character and personal growth of Bilbo and Thorin
 - The relationship between comfort and growth
 - Wisdom vs physical strength
 - Friendship
 - The effect setting has on the mood of the story
 - Balancing humor with danger from an author's perspective
 - Teachings on power and responsibility
 - Leadership lessons