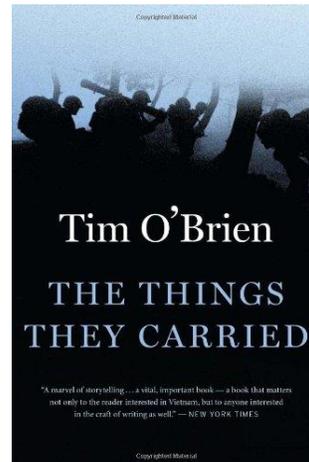


Kathleen Senior High School
Summer Reading Assignment 2017-2018
AP English Literature and Composition

Part I:

1. Read Tim O'Brien's *The Things They Carried*.
2. Complete the "Dialectical Journal" for *The Things They Carried*. The directions and the grading rubric are included in the packet.

Due: The journal will be due within the first three weeks back from school. You will want to annotate your book as you read (see note below). This will be crucial to your success on the final test which will be the second/third week of school. The test will be completed in class, on paper, and it will consist of five analysis questions. You will be allowed to use your novel.



NOTE: Hardcopies of Tim O'Brien's *The Things They Carried* is available at the Lakeland libraries. However, we strongly recommend you purchase this book if at all possible so that you can highlight passages and make marginal notes (good for the test). I have made a PDF version available on the class website, BUT it may not be 100% accurate. Books-a-Million has copies, but I have included options for purchasing online. You can get the book for under \$5 from most places online.

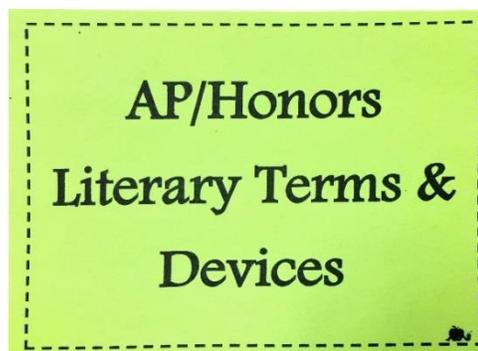
Sites to purchase *The Things They Carried*:

- Amazon.com
- Half.com
- Thriftbooks.com
- Walmart.com

Part II:

1. Study the AP/Honors Literary Terms and Devices

Due: You will have a test on these words your first week back to school. The test will most likely include matching, multiple choice, and identification of devices when given a passage. Study, study, study!



NOTE: This other part of your summer coursework consists of learning an extensive list of literary terms and devices. These words are essential to passing both the course and the AP Literature Exam in May.

The best way to study a large amount of vocabulary like this is daily exposure. Some suggestions for studying: use the flashcards to read the words and definitions every evening before you go to sleep, have someone quiz you, learn relationships between the words (which are synonyms/antonyms of each other, which are used exclusively in poetry, which are related to plot, etc.)

Accessing the text and assignments over summer break:

Should something happen to the hardcopies of the assignments, they are also available at the class website. Go to: <http://tiffanybass6.wix.com/bassclass>. Create an account using the "Log in/Sign up" in the header and once your account is set up, click on Summer Assignments link. The links to the assignments are on that page.