Honors World Literature
Summer 2018

In this course, you will be intensely exploring the movements, backgrounds, and emotions of cultures from around the world. The goal, as Maya Angelou once wrote, is to deepen our understanding that "we are more alike, my friends, than we are unalike."

 Please read all directions below carefully. If you have any questions, contact scennaa@fultonschools.org.

After reading the required selection, choose one of the Multicultural selections below and read it also. Perform a close reading of each book you choose.

While you read, annotate by underlining or highlighting favorite passages, passages that you believe are important, passages that raise questions, etc. Make notes in the margins about themes, topics, imagery, figurative language, etc. that the author utilizes. If you do not buy these books, but check them out from the library or borrow from someone, you should use Post-it notes for your annotations. Ebooks may be annotated electronically. **You need to bring your annotated texts to class on the first day of the semester.**

Texts:

REQUIRED text: The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot

Fiction Choices (choose **ONE** from the following list):

>   What is the What by Dave Eggars

>   Girl in Translation by Jean Kwok

>   The Bookseller of Kabul by Asne Seierstad

Disclaimer: Although all of the fiction choices provided are "Honors-worthy" and will be of great benefit to your student in the future as they progress through Honors and AP English courses, some of the books have adult situations and sexual content. Please take some time to review your child's choice with them and sign below if you permit your child to read the book of their choice. If the book does not meet your approval, your child can bring in a selection of his/her choice and I can evaluate if it meets the Honors criteria for a novel of literary merit.

**Students, please submit this signature page to your current English teacher prior to leaving for summer break.

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Novel Choice

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Parent Signature   Date