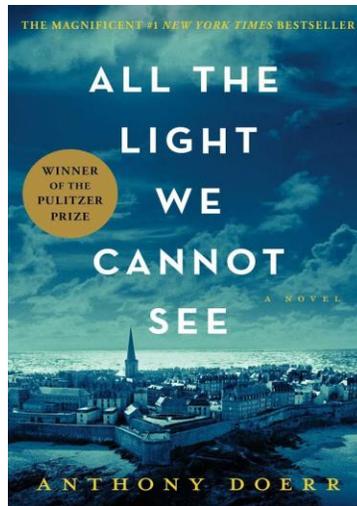


## Summer Reading 2022-23 School Year

### English IV (Twelfth Grade)

**Seniors** in Mrs. Armstrong’s **English IV** class are **required** to read over the summer *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr. This novel is available at any local library as well as Barnes & Noble, Books A Million, Amazon, etc., at a very reasonable price. It is also available in audio version from Audible/Amazon. I will assign a literary analysis essay for this book during the second to third full week of school. Don’t worry about the essay part right now. Just read the book and enjoy it; however, be sure to take notes as you read on the following question:

**“Open your eyes and see what you can see with them before they close forever.” To what extent do the characters in *All the Light We Cannot See* exhibit this sentiment?**



During the second to third week of school, I will provide instruction about how to write the specific literary analysis essay for this novel. As you read over the summer, however, focus on the main characters and how they develop and change throughout the plot, as well as how they embody the quote listed above. Therefore, take notes, highlight, or tab your book with Post-it notes for the following information that you will eventually need to compose your essay:

### Essay Parts

#### Introduction:

Title and author

Setting (time and place)

Major characters and a brief description of the role(s) they play in the book

*Very brief* plot summary

### **Body Paragraphs (3)**

These paragraphs will focus on three specific characters, and you will need to provide evidence to show me how the characters embody the essay prompt provided above. As you read, jot down any interesting quotes or summarized evidence which reveals or illustrates the characters' traits.

### **Conclusion**

What is the point of the book? How did the characters' personalities help establish the theme(s) of the story? Why is the theme so important to our society today?

\*\*Keep in mind, if you take these few simple notes or mark your book as you read, it will be easier to put all the pieces together once I assign the essay.

**Have a great summer!**