

## Spanish AP Summer Assignment

Choose one of the following two options. One of these options is due on the first day of school:

### Option 1

- a) Read a short novel (100 pages) or a collection of short stories **in Spanish**. You may want to select one of the recommended authors listed below.
- b) Write a two page essay **in Spanish** about the book you read. The essay will contain a summary of the plot (el argumento/ trama), discuss themes (temas), main characters (personajes principales), and your personal opinions about the book.
- c) Type your essay **double-spaced**, font 12, with a **1.5" margin** (for corrections and feedback).
- d) Prepare a short presentation for the class with a visual about the book, some information about the author, and an interesting/significant quote.

### Option 2

- a) Check out from the Media Center: *Album Third edition* (by Rebecca Valette).
- b) Read a variety of stories from this anthology throughout summer, and select 4 short stories (cuentos) that you liked best.
- c) Write a 2 page essay **in Spanish** analyzing, interpreting, comparing and contrasting these 4 short stories. Refer to themes (temas), plot (trama), characters (personajes). The book has many helpful activities and explanations guiding you in this process.
- d) Type your essay **double-spaced**, font 12, with a **1.5" margin** (for corrections and feedback).
- e) Prepare a short presentation for the class with a visual about the stories you chose, and a couple of significant/interesting quotes.

### Where to find Spanish books:

- A. *Biblioteca Latino Americana* on 921-S.Street.
- B. *Barnes & Noble* and *Amazon.com* (sells cheap used books).

### Recommended authors (Novels or Short Stories):

Jorge Luis Borges	Isabel Allende
Gabriel Garcia Marquez	Cristina Peri Rossi
Mario Benedetti	Octavio Paz
Ana Maria Matute	Ricardo Palma
Carlos Fuentes	Laura Esquivel
Amado Nervo	Mario Vargas Llosa
Luis Sepulveda	Horacio Quiroga
Julio Cortazar	Camilo Jose Cela

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Have a great summer!