

**iLink English II Honors
Summer Reading Requirements
Ms. Catayah Godfrey**

Every student must purchase and read each of the following books:

- *The Book Thief*, by Markus Zusak
- *A Small Place*, by Jamaica Kincaid
- One book from the RNE list of 100 books (located on our homepage)

The Book Thief, by Markus Zusak

Assignment: Reader's Response Journal — Select 10 passages that you consider especially interesting or important to the novel; quote and copy them. These passages should span the length of the novel (beginning, middle, and end). Respond in a reader's response journal to each passage by including the direct quotation, the page number, and thoughtful commentary that reveals your insight into the significance of that passage to the entire novel.

Journal Set-Up: Write each passage with the page number at the top of your paper. Skip a line and write your commentary about the quotation. Do not write on the back of the paper. Use a different sheet of paper for each quotation and its commentary. The journal must be typed (double space in a 12-point font). Please put all pages in a bradded folder with your name on the front.

The reading assignment is due on the first day of class. Be prepared for activities (i.e., quiz, test, discussion) regarding the novel during the first week of school. Let's start the year off on the right foot. Have a great summer and see you in the fall!

A Small Place, by Jamaica Kincaid

Assignment: Create some type of **visual** showing the contrast between Kincaid's perception of Antigua and that of outsiders (vacationers) as well as some of Antigua's residents. This assignment calls for creativity!!! A basic chart created in Word will be unacceptable.

Special Notes

**Both novels must be brought to class on the first day of school and must show significant evidence of close reading. This evidence must be in the form of highlights throughout, notes written in margins, underlined passages, sticky-noted passages, etc.

**The journal and the visual must be brought to school in the first day of school.