

ENGLISH III

Summer Reading Assignment 2021

Choose **one** of the following books:



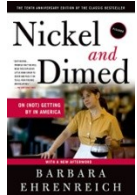
In the Country We Love, Diane Guerrero

A memoir by actress Diane Guerrero about growing up in the US before and after her parents were deported when she was 14.



American Street, Ibi Zoboi

A novel about a young Haitian immigrant in Detroit.



Nickel and Dimed, Barbara Ehrenreich

A nonfiction account of the author trying to survive in the US while working a series of minimum wage jobs.

Instructions:

- Choose which book you want to read, purchase a **print copy** of the book, and then read it.
- As you read, underline or highlight quotes or lines that stand out to you.
- Then, choose two of those quotes from the book that are important to you personally or that are important to the book's message or plot. Type these quotes exactly as they appear in the text and write the chapter and page number. Beneath each typed quote, explain the context of it, as well as why it is important.
- Lastly, answer the prompts below.
 1. Identify the main idea (theme or message) of the book. Explain how this is established in the book.
 2. Identify the point of view of the book and explain the effect it has on the book.
 3. Explain what is meant by the term "American Dream." How does this term relate to the book? How does it relate to your life?
 4. Identify the main challenges of the protagonist and what she does to overcome them. Identify a significant challenge you've faced.
 5. Explain your reaction to this book. What about this book resonated with you, made you think, or challenged your expectations?
- All this writing must be typed and in MLA format, with correct formatting, a proper heading, in a Google Doc titled "Summer Reading." The writing must be thorough, thoughtful, and well written: these are not single-sentence responses. Please proofread. You will turn it in digitally (to Schoology and Turnitin.com) on the **first day of class**.

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