

YGW Girls' Division
Summer Reading Assignments

Twelfth Grade

World Literature

An Enemy of the People, Henrik Ibsen

The Alchemist, Paulo Coelho

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An Enemy of the People

1. What makes Dr. Stockmann an outcast?
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3. Is this result (considering he is simply trying to reveal the truth) surprising or not? Why?

The Alchemist

1. What makes the story enjoyable to you?
2. Was there a part of it you did not enjoy? Why?
3. What do you think of the idea of a personal destiny?

AP English Literature and Composition

Crime and Punishment, Fyodor Dostoyevsky

Enemy of the People, Henrik Ibsen

A Tale of Two Cities, Charles Dickens

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Crime and Punishment

1. How is Raskolnikov cold and aloof?
2. How is he kind and empathetic?
3. Does the author admire him in any way? If so, how?
4. Do you admire him in any way? When and why?

A Tale of Two Cities

1. What is the tone of the novel?
2. How is the tone achieved? What specific ideas, passages, or writing style contribute to your understanding of tone?