## Senior Independent Reading

You will need to independently read 3 books this semester, or the equivalent of 700 pages.
***At least one book needs to be a nonfiction book related to a purpose that you've identified with or intrigues you, or a cause that you believe strongly in ${ }^{* * *}$

- You need to have finished this one by mid-term (late October/early November) in order to participate in a Partnered Book Talk with members of the class.
- There will be an assignment associated with the Partnered Book Talk later in the semester. The completion of this assignment will be worth 30 points and participation in the Book Talk itself will be worth 20.
- If you are absent on the day we complete the Book Talk, you will need to make arrangements to come in at lunch or after school with another person who can help you complete this assignment.

Grading: I will be giving credit for those of you who bring books regularly to class and are actively reading. Once you finish a book, create a notecard with the following information:

## (Front)

1. Title
2. Author
3. Genre
4. Number of pages
5. Symbol to represent major themes within the text
(Back)
6. A 3-5 sentence synopsis of the book (think summary)
7. Recommendations. Who would most like to read this book?
8. A theme statement.

Each note card can earn 20 points. 60 possible by the end of the semester not including random credit given for completing independent reading expectations in class.

