This semester will conclude with a reading seminar. A reading seminar is when a small group of people reads the same text and then meets to share their thoughts, opinions, and analysis. Each class meeting you will meet with your seminar group to discuss the text and complete activities (more on those activities later!).

Your seminar group and the text you choose to read are up to you. The requirements are that your group has between 2 and 6 people and has an equal number of boys and girls (if there are 3 in a group the numbers must be 2 and 1, and if there are 5 people the numbers must be 3 and 2). Additionally, I suggest you choose a text that you will enjoy reading.

IMPORTANT: The text you choose must receive approval from Mr. Balogh **AND** a parent/guardian. The following list of books has been pre-approved by Mr. Balogh and can be provided by the school. You are allowed to choose a book that is not on this list; however, if you do it will be your responsibility to obtain a copy. **If you do not receive approval you will not receive credit for this unit!**

*The House of the Spirits,*Isabella Allende

*Obasan,*Joy Kogawa

*Interpreter of Maladies,*Jhumpa Lahiri

**Non-Fiction**

*Life and Death in Shanghai*, Nien Chen

*Free the Children,*CraigKielburger

**Plays**

*Oedipus Rex*, Sophocles

*Cyrano de Bergerac*, Edmond Rostand

*The Taming of the Shrew*, William Shakespeare

*Much Ado About Nothing*, William Shakespeare

*Waiting for Godot*, Samuel Beckett

*A Raisin in the Sun,*Lorraine Hansberry

**Fiction**

*Bless Me Ultima*, Rudolfo Anaya

*The Power of One*, Bryce Courtenay

*One Hundred Years of Solitude,* Gabriel Garcia Marquez

*A River Sutra,*Gita Mehta

*Life of PI,*Yann Martel

*Sister of My Heart,*Chitra Divakaruni

*Anna Karenina,* Leo Tolstoy

*The Kite Runner,*Khaled Hosseini

*The Stranger,* Albert Camus

*The Heart is a Lonely Hunter,*CarsonMcCullers

*Crime and Punishment,* Fyodor Dostoevsky

*Maus*, Art Spiegelman

*The Metamorphosis,*Franz Kafka

*The Perks of Being a Wallflower,*Stephen Chbosky

Please complete, cut off, and return this slip to Mr. Balogh by **Wednesday January 8, 2013**

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Mr. Balogh’s Approval: Yes No