

2017 English I Summer Reading Assignment

1. Read *Gifted Hands: The Ben Carson Story* by Ben Carson and Cecil Murphey

Keep a reading journal (in a composition book or spiral notebook) summarizing each chapter as you read. There will be a test on this autobiography during the first week of school. Your reading journal will be a very important part of your preparation for this test.

2. Write a 2-3 page “book review” of *Gifted Hands*. Your review should include an introduction (provides the title, author, and ends with a **thesis statement**, or topic sentence, for the paper); a summary of the book; and a conclusion section that evaluates the quality of the book and its impact on the reader.

Essays should be typed, double spaced, in Times New Roman 12 point font, with proper MLA heading in the top left corner:

First and Last Name

Instructor Name

English I

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This paper is due to turnitin.com (see instructions at the end of this document) by **11:59 pm on the first day of school (August 10th)**. **Emailed submissions will not be accepted.** As is always the case, you should ensure that this is your *own original work* and that nothing is plagiarized from the Internet or other sources.

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The class code for English I is 12530909; password is Englishrocks.

If you have any questions, you can email n.stack@tka.net.

Happy reading and writing!