



## TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

### 2011 Summer Reading Requirement for College Prep Juniors

To foster active reading and a love of literature, college prep juniors are required to read the following novel over the summer:

*The Thirteenth Tale* (ISBN 9780743298032) by Diane Setterfield

Students are required to read actively by highlighting important passages and making annotations in the novel. Annotations should be viewed as a dialogue with the text that aids not only in comprehension and memory but also in the initial literary analysis. Please follow the active reading directions below:

1. Vocabulary: You will be tested on the vocabulary from the novel. Be sure to look up and write in the margin the definition of any word you cannot define.
2. Highlighting: Important quotes, striking lines and significant passages that develop character or themes should be highlighted and the reason for the highlighting should be indicated in the margin. Highlight sparingly: these lines and passages should stand out.
3. Marginal notes: note questions, predictions, reactions to and reflections on character, dialogue, and plot developments.
4. Literary analysis: note and comment on literary techniques including setting, point of view, figurative language, symbolism, irony, and narrative structure. Note conflicts, both external and internal.
5. Note repeated patterns, such as images or ideas.
6. Characterization: circle each new character and note direct and indirect characterization. Note physical traits, use of language, and handling of conflicts. Jot notes about character traits in the margins.

All students will be taking an objective test on this reading at the beginning of the school year in homeroom, regardless of when their English class is scheduled. Students will be required to write about and discuss the reading in depth on the first day of English class. Evidence of active reading will be graded as well. To facilitate class discussion, please purchase the edition indicated above.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Rose Crnkovich, English Department Chairperson, at (708) 453-8392 or e-mail: [ib@trinityhs.org](mailto:ib@trinityhs.org).

*Have a safe and happy summer! Enjoy the novel!*

*(over for IB English III)*

