

Accelerated English III
Summer Reading Assignments
New Albany High School

Text: *The Scarlet Letter* by Nathaniel Hawthorne

Materials: All assignments should be clearly labeled and placed in a folder or three-ring binder. Label as follows:

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*Plagiarism is a serious academic offense and will result in a grade of “0”. While collaborating with others in the class to discuss the book is acceptable, you should complete all assignments **independently**.

Grading: The summer reading assignment is due the second day of school. It counts as a major grade; your grade will drop a letter grade each day it is late. Also, a test will be given on the novel during the first two weeks of school.

Assignments for *The Scarlet Letter*

As you read the novel, be an active reader—mark, highlight, or make notes as you see fit so that you may more easily find specific passages. You will also complete a dialectical journal for the book as follows:

- a. Use a ruler to divide subsequent pages neatly into two columns. Label the first column “Quote” and the second “Response”.
- b. Copy quotes from the novel that stand out to you in the first column. Include the page number. Highlight in yellow word(s) or phrase(s) of interest.
- c. In the second column, write an explanation of why you chose this particular quote. Your explanation may be a statement, or it may be a question that the quote brought up for you. **DO NOT RESTATE THE QUOTE.**

*You should have a minimum of 30 entries; these should cover the entirety of the book.