

Providence Classical School 10th grade Rhetoric Summer Reading Assignment



[Here is the link on Amazon](#) or sign one out from Mrs. Smole's room

NOTE: This is written in verse and has the original Middle English text on the left side of the page and the modern English translation on the right side.

Assignment:

Read *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*, create a reading journal, and write an essay.

Due Dates: Essay due Aug 3. Email to ismole@pcsvirginia.org

Reading Journal due first day of school

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Purchase a standard composition notebook and on the first page, write *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*. In your journal, create a section for the following:

Title Page: Create a title page with the name of the book and author.

Character Study: This poem is based on the Code of Chivalry. The code of conduct of the medieval knight is known as chivalry. Such conduct required the knight to swear loyalty to his lord or lady and to exhibit the knightly virtues of courage, justice, mercy, generosity, faith, nobility, and hope. Here is [a link](#) that explains these virtues. Use this resource to analyze the different characters in accordance with the code of chivalry.

Summary: The poem is divided into 3 parts. Write a summary of each part explaining how each demonstrates the worldview of chivalry.

Quotes: Record quotes from the reading that you find interesting or intriguing. They can be words that you find beautiful, insightful, significant, or interesting. Write them down, who said them and the page number.

Essay: Write a 5-paragraph essay by developing a should question, creating an ANI chart and writing an essay including refutation. (This is like the essays we wrote in Rhetoric 9 and is Essay 8 in LTW).

