

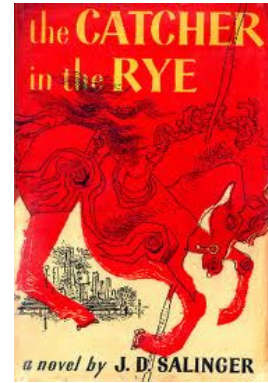
COURSE TITLE: Honors American Literature 10 (**Grade 10**)

REQUIRED TEXT: *The Catcher In The Rye*

AUTHOR: J.D. Salinger

GENRE: Fiction- Coming of Age

SUMMARY: *The Catcher In The Rye* deals with two days in the life of Holden Caulfield, who has run away from his prep school just before the start of the Christmas vacation. Unwilling to return home, Holden drifts around New York City and experiences a series of wryly humorous adventures. Caulfield's commentary not only focuses on his discontentment with adult society, but also on his relationships with his peers, his siblings, and his teachers. The theme of alienation permeates this extensively read work.



REQUIRED STUDENT RESPONSE (DUE THE FIRST DAY OF CLASS):

While you read, you should be annotating for the high and low points of Holden's life and journey, in addition to characterization, plot, symbolism, theme, etc. Be sure to think about and identify the events and situations that have affected the high and low points of his life. Use any method of annotation you like including, but not limited to: Literature Log, post-it notes, marginal notes, highlighting.

- **Due First Day of School:** bring your annotations with you to class
- **Future Assignments:** During the first week, you will work to complete a graphic organizer in response to an essay prompt using your annotations. By the end of the first marking period, you will compose a compare/contrast paper using *The Catcher in the Rye*.