

Mrs. Hatler and Mrs. Sutton
English and World Studies - 9 Honors
Summer Assignment

Congratulations on being accepted into the Honors English and/or Honors World Studies Program. This assignment is for all students who have been selected for either one or both of these classes. Your summer assignment is designed to enrich your knowledge of World Studies and World Literature and introduce you to the freshman English and World Studies Honors Programs. Higher level thinking, questioning, and writing skills are inherent to success in honors level courses, and independent study will certainly enhance your abilities in these areas.

This summer you will read *The Translator*, a memoir written by a survivor of the genocide that is happening in the Darfur region of Sudan, which is located on the continent of Africa. You have been provided with a school copy of *The Translator*. Do not write in this book. However, as you are reading, take notes in a notebook in any format that you choose. We suggest you review the *Reading Guide Questions* found at the end of the book *before* you begin reading. If you review these questions first, it will make it easier to take notes while you read.

Your only written requirement over the summer is to take excellent notes. Your notes will be reviewed by the Honors English teacher and Honors World Studies teacher. All other assignments in connection with *The Translator* will be completed in your English and/or World Studies classes during the first two weeks of school. You will be required to take a comprehensive objective test, write a formal paper, and participate in mature discussions about the book.

We expect that you will have completed your reading and note-taking before the first day of school.