

## SUMMER READING Before English I

Summer reading assignment for students entering the 9<sup>th</sup> grade:

*Death on the Nile* by Agatha Christie

After reading, answer the following questions:

1. Give the theme or overall message of the book in one sentence.
2. List: Protagonist (hero or main character)  
Antagonist (villain or person who fights against protagonist)
3. Name one archetype (not mentioned in #2) that you see in the story and tell why he or she is an archetype.
4. Describe the setting of the book. (Time period, location, and general idea of happenings at the time)
5. Give a character sketch on the protagonist. (Needs to be at least five sentences)

### **Evaluation:**

1. Assignment: Answers to the above assignment are due the first day of class and are worth one quiz grade. Your answers are to be typed, double-spaced, using Times New Roman 12-point and black ink. Points will be deducted if directions are not followed.
2. Quiz: Be prepared for a reading quiz the second or third day of class.