**122 (on-level, college prep 12th) British Literature 2020 Summer Reading**

**Assignment:**

1. Read and annotate\* *Buried Giant* (Kazuo Ishiguro) in preparation for a test and discussions over the novel. **A TEST WILL BE GIVEN WITHIN THE FIRST FEW DAYS OF SCHOOL.**
2. Consider the following when annotating:
   * Elements of Anglo-Saxon culture and the Anglo-Saxon code (Vikings)
   * Allusions to Arthurian Legends (King Arthur, The Sword in the Stone, etc.)
   * Elements of Magical Realism (presenting fantasy elements in an otherwise realistic story)
   * Motifs – particularly involving aspects of memory

\*annotations are for personal use. They will not be graded.

1. Complete College Essay Pre-Writing Assignment

**College Essay Pre-Writing Assignment**

This assignment is geared toward assisting you to gain insight and explore your inner **STRENGTHS and TALENTS**, which is a key component to beginning the college application process.

The College Essay Pre-Writing Assignment will consist of **TWO** parts:

1. Completing the Strengths Explorer in Naviance
2. Completing the College Application Packet on the Counseling website where you will write about your top three STRENGTHS AND TALENTS, which you discovered about yourself

**Please FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW to complete both assignments.**

* Log into your Naviance account. Your username is your student number, and your password is your 6 digit birth date (example, June 1, 2000 would be 06/01/00)

Go to the “About Me” tab, and complete the **STRENGTHS EXPLORER** under “My Assessments.”

* **Complete** the College Application Packet found on right hand side of the main page of the[**school counseling website**](http://donnadunham.wixsite.com/waltoncounseling)**.**
* **This packet must be typed, printed, and turned in to your Senior English Teacher in order to receive credit for your summer reading assignment.**
* Be sure to **SAVE** this packet to your computer! If you need letters of recommendation from your School Counselor and/or teacher(s), you will need to give a copy to EACH recommender at least **THREE FULL WEEKS BEFORE** your first college deadline.
* Fill out the “COLLEGES TO WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING” page to the best of your ability. As you make changes, please notify your School Counselor and your teacher(s) who are completing your recommendation.
* For question 5, you will need to complete the **Strengths Explorer** in Naviance, outlined above. Have a parent/guardian complete the last page of the packet.

**Note:** Your recommenders will be using this packet to write YOUR letters of recommendation. The more time, thought, and insight you spend on your responses, the more details your recommenders can include in their letters.