Eastwood Academy High School
Summer Reading 2020
AP Language

Book: *The Tipping Point*

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**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. **GET THE BOOK:** I recommend you buy it. Paper or electronic is fine. Amazon.com has new and used copies at low prices. Half Price Books sometimes has it, because it’s a popular book. Or you can check it out from a public library.

2. **READ IT:** The entire book must be read before the first day of school.

3. **TAKE NOTES** (Optional—this will NOT be graded):
   
   *But do NOT write in library books. USE STICKY NOTES.*
   
   If you have your own copy (paper or electronic), then feel free to highlight and annotate in it all you want, instead of using sticky notes. Again, the notes will NOT be graded. It’s just to help you and your understanding. As you read, you may want to take notes on the following:
   
   a. Insights you may have (for classroom discussion)
   b. Questions you may have (for discussion, for me, for each other)
   c. Logos, Ethos, Pathos: note when, how, and why each are used
   d. Speaker: the voice that tells the story.
   e. Occasion: the time and the place; the context that prompted the writing.
   f. Audience: the group of readers to whom this piece is directed.
   g. Purpose: the reason behind the text.
   h. Subject: what the piece is about; consider both macro and micro.
   i. Tone: the author’s attitude; consider how it changes throughout
   j. Devices: note any literary or rhetorical techniques

4. **BE PREPARED FOR AN ESSAY TEST:** There will be an in-class essay test about the book during the first weeks of school.

   *No assignments are due on the first day of school.*

   There’s nothing to turn in. I will **not** count your sticky notes or check your highlighting/annotating. If you want to show off, I’ll be happy to look at all your notes, or even show them off to the rest of the class, but it’s not for a grade.