Books:  Chinese Cinderella: The True Story of an Unwanted Daughter by Adeline Yen Mah  
Jacob Have I Loved by Katherine Paterson

You may purchase the novels, borrow them from someone, or check them out of the library, but please be aware that it will be to your benefit to have the novels in class with you during the first two weeks of school.

- All assignments are **due on Tuesday, August 10**. Each assignment counts as a major grade.
- Before submitting your work, be sure to recheck your work for correct spelling, correct punctuation, correct use of grammar, and proper paragraph structure.
- All passages from the books must include the page number from which they are taken. Cite page numbers inside parenthesis, with the period after the parenthesis (235).
- All work must be typed, double-spaced, using one inch margins. Use Times New Roman 12 pt fonts ONLY. Your name should appear at the top of each page.
- All work should be submitted in a folder with prongs or pockets (no 3-ring binders). You may turn in both assignments in the same folder.
- You will be tested on each novel during the first two weeks of school.

**Assignments:** These assignments are to be completed for EACH novel.

1. **Honors Summer Reading Form** – This form can be located on my website www.teacherweb.com/AL/DecaturHighSchool/TamaraSmith under the summer reading tab. This form should be completed using Word then printed.
2. **Passage analysis** - As you read each novel, mark passages that you find interesting or important. Once you finish reading, go back and choose one passage that you marked. The passage that you choose should be several sentences long. First, type the passage with quotation marks and page numbers (follow instruction listed above). In the passage analysis, provide an explanation for each passage and why you think it is important to the novel. This analysis should be one page in length.
3. **Reflective letter** - Write me a reflective letter about reading the novels and completing your assignments. Write about the thoughts, feelings, observations, and new insights you experienced while reading the novels. Some things to think about include, but are not exclusive to:
   - Tell me what you worked on the hardest or struggled
   - Share what you think you did well
   - Show where you were drawn into the novels and where you pulled away
   - Your overall impression of the novels
   - Explore what value, besides entertainment, the novels have
   - Discuss if you found yourself changing your mind about the book and/or the assignment

**Additional assignment for Jacob Have I Loved:**

You should have 5 4x6 notecards. The notecards must be hand written in your own handwriting. You may write on both sides of the note cards if you wish. These notecards will be used as a resource for a writing assignment.

**What kind of information should be on the notecards?**

- Description of what happens to Louise and how she changes chapter by chapter.
- Identify the main characters and be able to give a brief description of each of them. Pay special attention to how Louise views each of the characters and her relationship with them.
- Description of the culture of the fishing village Louise lives in –especially the role religion plays in the lives of the villagers.
- Explain different things Louise learns about herself and others throughout the book.
- Write down FIVE of your favorite quotes from the book.

* Make sure that all assignments you submit are a result of your **own** work. Assignments will be checked closely for plagiarism.