

## Royal West Academy 2021 Summer Reading List & Instructions: Grade 9

**The following are the two novels for Grade Nine: you must read both novels this summer.**

1. *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time* by Mark Haddon
2. *Speak* by Laurie Halse Anderson

The aim of summer reading is to provide a rich reading experience and to ensure exposure to writers who may not have been encountered before. The novel *Speak* has been selected to comply with RWA's Sexuality Education program for Grade Nine Students. The novel *Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time* is both a unique classic and universally popular with our students.

### **IMPORTANT information:**

All students will be required to complete the *RWA Summer Reading Reflection* document in their own **handwriting**. This document will be made available to all students on the RWA website and is a standard document for all grade levels. The purpose of the reflection is to think critically about the novels and be creative. Detailed instructions are on the document itself. The document will be collected sometime during the first cycle of the school year.

You are expected to read the books and prepare carefully for your summer reading assessments which will take place over the course of September.

### **Grade 9 Summer Reading Assessment:**

1. You will complete an individual assignment based on one or both of the books you have read.
2. You will take part in a group project exploring one of the books you have read.

Have a great summer and happy reading!