

# Home Learning for Div 2 AH

## WEEK TWO: Starting the Book!

### Overview

For Week Two of our Home Learning experience, we will begin reading *The Things They Carried* by Tim O'Brien. This book is composed of several related short stories detailing the experiences of a platoon of soldiers during the Vietnam War. Our thinking about this book will revolve around the ideas of truth and storytelling; as you will read, you will notice O'Brien often blurs the line between fiction and non-fiction. Why does he do this? What is the effect of telling stories in this way? How does this blurring of fact and fiction impact the truth? These are all questions we will be examining as we move through this unit.

### For Week Two, we are asking that you...

- Complete the tasks in the order they are listed. You will be reading chapters of the book and responding to comprehension and analysis questions. On OneNote, the book is available...
  - In PDF form
  - As an audiobook (if you want to use this, please read along as well)
- Tasks are as follows:
  - Task One: Prereading **(Suggested)**
  - Task Two: Read and Answer Qs for the First Chapter, "The Things They Carried" **(Required)**
  - Task Three: Read and Answer Qs for Chapters "Love" and "Spin" **(Required)**
  - Task Four: Read and Answer Qs for "On the Rainy River" **(Required)**. Chapters "Enemies" and "Friends" are **suggested** reading.
  - Task Five: Answer the Short-Response Prompt **(Required)**
- Complete these tasks at your own pace!
  - You could do one task per day (recommended)... or you could cram all of the tasks into one day (not recommended)

- Additionally, continue to work on your Reading and Writing Revisions, remembering that they are both due by **Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**.

**All work (One Note Tasks and Revisions) are DUE next Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup> by 8AM**

Email us with questions! We can also potentially set up one-on-one video conferences through Microsoft Teams if this is something you are interested in.