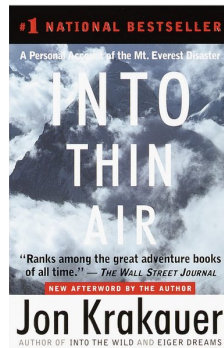


English 10, American Literature summer reading: Into Thin Air



Into Thin Air is the definitive account of the deadliest season in the history of Everest by the acclaimed journalist and author of the best seller *Into the Wild*. On assignment for *Outside Magazine* to report on the growing commercialization of the mountain, Krakauer, an accomplished climber, went to the Himalayas as a client of Rob Hall, the most respected high-altitude guide in the world. Krakauer examines what it is about Everest that has compelled so many people - including himself - to throw caution to the wind, ignore the concerns of loved ones, and willingly subject themselves to such risk, hardship, and expense.

Written with emotional clarity and supported by his unimpeachable reporting, Krakauer's eyewitness account of what happened on the roof of the world is a singular achievement.

Instructions:

1. Read and enjoy the book.
2. Answer [the Reading Questions here](#). Due THE FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL.

For more titles, you can also consult the College Board's list of 100 books for the college bound.

The Awakening

Beloved

Bleak House

Cat's Eye

The Color Purple

The God of Small Things

The Crucible

A Doll House

A Farewell to Arms

Fences

The Grapes of Wrath

Heart of Darkness

Invisible Man

The Kite Runner

Lady Windermere's Fan

Macbeth

Madame Bovary

The Memory Keeper's

Daughter

Moby-Dick

The Namesake

Nineteen Eighty-four

Our Town

The Plague

A Portrait of the Artist as a
Young Man

A Raisin in the Sun

Reservation Blues

A Streetcar Named Desire

Things Fall Apart