

Test Replacement Option

Anatomy and Physiology – Mrs. Michaelsen

Reading is a critical part of becoming a lifelong learner and one of the best ways to gain interest, relevance, and perspective about a subject area. Throughout this class semester you are going to learn about the human body and how it functions. The books listed below all relate to the human body from a real world perspective and will help you gain a deeper appreciation and understanding of the human body.

This is an opportunity for you to enhance your experience in this class and also to replace a poor test score! By reading one of these books and writing the reflection, I will replace your lowest test score of the semester with the average of all your tests for the semester.

First, choose one of the books listed below and read the book. After you have finished the book, I would like you to write a reflective summary of the book and the main ideas of the book. In your reflection, you should make it clear that you have read the book without giving a “book report.” I want you to discuss your favorite and least favorite aspects of the book and discuss your thoughts and feeling related to the characters and their struggles within the book. Most importantly, your reflection should bring in issues, ideas, and discussions from class this semester and relate what you have learned in class and what you have learned from the book to your life. In other words, how did this book enhance your learning experience in this course this semester? You need to include details from the book in your discussion and you may want to include page numbers within your paper as you are writing. The reflection needs to be typed and approximately 4-5 pages in length. Please use Times New Roman or Arial font (size 11) and 1” margins when formatting the paper.

The following books can be checked out in the classroom – I have three copies of each.

Always Looking Up by Michael J. Fox

Another Day in the Frontal Lobe: a Brain Surgeon Exposes Life on the Inside by Katrina Firlik

Better: A Surgeon’s Notes on Performance by Atul Gawande

Complications: A Surgeon’s Notes on an Imperfect Science by Atul Gawande

Stiff: The Curious Lives of Human Cadavers by Mary Roach

If you know of another book that you think relates closely to the themes and ideas we have discussed in the course this semester, please let me know and I will see if you can use it for this project.

If you want to learn more about each book click on the link Test Replacement Option that can be found under Mrs. Michaelsen’s Anatomy and Physiology page on the website.