10th into 11th Grade Summer Assignment

Please read the following three excerpts from *Norse Mythology* by Neil Gaiman. <u>Each question</u> **should be answered** in AT LEAST one page, so you should have a total of three pages to turn in for this assignment. This page MUST follow the following format: typed, double-spaced, Times New Roman, size 12. You MUST use evidence from the reading in your writing to support your answer to the question.

<u>Prompt #1</u>- Read the "Introduction" and "The Players" and answer the following questions using **AT LEAST TWO** pieces of evidence from the reading: Norse Mythology has obviously had a strong impact on the author. What does this suggest about the importance of stories to humans? Why are stories important to us? How do they shape our daily lives and beliefs? Be sure to cite your evidence.

Prompt #2- Read "Before the Beginning, and After," and "Yggdrasil and the Nine Worlds" and answer the following questions using **AT LEAST TWO** pieces of evidence from the reading: What functions do stories have? What do they teach us about relationships, good and evil, what it means to be a human, ethics and morals, etc.? Be sure to cite your evidence.

<u>Prompt #3-</u> Read "The Master Builder," and answer the following questions using **AT LEAST TWO** pieces of evidence from the reading: What does myth reflect about Norse culture? Be sure to cite your evidence.

You should have these assignments printed out and ready to turn in on the first day of classes.

We look forward to meeting you all, and we hope that you have a wonderful summer. Please don't hesitate to email us with any questions. You can email either b.goodrich-bundy@tfanh.org or k.mote@tfanh.org

We are excited to see you in September, Mrs. Goodrich & Ms. Mote