

**Summer Reading**  
**English 11 College Prep (CP) and English 11 Honors**

*Unbroken*

Author: Laura Hillenbrand

This is the story of a young bombardier in World War II, Louis Zamperini, and his amazing story of survival. This might be the first book-length nonfiction story you have read. It requires patience and is not designed to be read quickly. Pace yourself.

After you have read the book, write a two-page essay (typed, double-spaced, 12 pt. font\*) using the following instructions:

The subtitle of the book is: *A World War II Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption*. Write an essay that integrates all three themes into a cohesive manner (survival, resilience, and redemption.) Be prepared to discuss the contents of the book during the first few days of the new school year.

\*Essays may be submitted via Google Docs or e-mailed as a PDF to [janellpenny@thefirstacademy.org](mailto:janellpenny@thefirstacademy.org). You may also turn in your printed essay on the first day of school. No handwritten essays will be accepted.