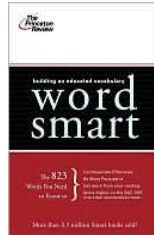


Life of Pi by Yann Martel

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Approximately \$9.00



The Princeton Review's Word Smart by Adam Robinson

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Life of Pi

- Students are required to read this novel over the summer and will be tested on it during the 1st week of school.
- You may find the beginning a little difficult to get into at first, but it is *integral* to a full appreciation of the work. The pace does pick up, and the content gets very interesting.
- Please read the entire novel with a close eye and annotate as you read (take notes on important facts, events, and characters). You will be graded on the thoroughness and depth of your annotations.
- After reading the novel, document a journey of your own with pictures (your journey could be a family vacation, day trip, or simply running errands [the excuse of "I didn't do the project, because I didn't go anywhere" will not be accepted]).
- Display your journey using any of the following media: poster, timeline, scrapbook, PowerPoint, movie, etc.
- Requirements:
 1. Include a **minimum** of 5 photographs, arranged in chronological order, documenting your journey from start to finish.
 2. Supplement the photographs with small pictures, magazine clippings, stickers, etc.
 3. Include a 3-sentence caption for each picture.
- Give this assignment the time and attention it deserves. It will be a **major grade** for Cycle 1.
- Please do not bring your project on the first day of school; you will be told when to bring it.

The Princeton Review's Word Smart

- Study and annotate the "Introduction" and "Learning New Words" sections of the book.
- Create a resource file for "The SAT Hit Parade" section (Chapter 4) by following these steps:
 1. Using the template **on the back side of this form**, make 12 double-sided copies.
 2. Break up the SAT Hit Parade list into 12 sets of 20 words each.
 3. For each of the 12 sets:
 - a. Label the set ("Set #: __1__"; found at the top of the page)
 - b. Number the sections 1 - 20 (the first 10 on the front, and the second 10 on the back)
 - c. Write each word
 - d. Next to each word, write its part of speech (verb, noun, etc.) in parenthesis
 - e. Create your own definition based on the one in the book. Don't copy it word-for-word.
 - f. Write an original sentence using the word, making its meaning clear. Don't copy the one from the book.
 - g. Draw a picture representation of the word (e.g. any object, scene, or idea that reminds you of the word).

Students who do not complete these assignments will need to drop PreIB English 1.