



## **2011-2012 - Summer Reading – CGS World Literature – Entering Grade 12**

Please read Into the Wild by Jon Krakauer. This is a fascinating look at Chris McCandless and his lone journey to the Alaskan wilderness.

Please maintain a **journal** in which you record your comments and questions for **each chapter**

Do not summarize, but record your “dialog with the text”.

At the start of the school year, your journal entries will be used during class discussions of the nonfiction book.

Your journal will be assessed at 50% of our unit of study on the work.

Honors requirements: Please maintain a journal. In addition, you will read excerpts from Ralph Waldo Emerson’s essay on “Nature” and Henry David Thoreau’s “Solitude” and “Conclusion” found in his work titled Walden. As you read and reflect on these essays, please write a 2 ½ page word-processed, double-spaced essay that makes connections between McCandless and his odyssey, with Emerson’s and Thoreau’s ideas.

**BMHS classes: Please check the BMHS website for any other classes you are taking for their summer assignments.**