

English 8- Fire Drill Instructions

In this context, we are using the words “fire drill” figuratively rather than literally.

A virtual fire drill is when one of the school wide systems has some sort of error or outage
OR

Your internet and/or computer is not working.

What should you do?

If your internet is working:

- 1.) Let me know as soon as possible that you are experiencing issues by sending me an email. shamilton@heronacademysc.org
- 2.) Complete daily assignment in Canvas.
- 3.) Do any unfinished, low grade or missing work in Canvas.
- 4.) Choose any reading that you like on an appropriate reading level in [CommonLit](#) and complete the first 2 steps of the reading:
 - **Read Aloud, and**
 - **Annotate**

If your internet is not working:

Don't panic - everything is going to be fine.

- 1.) If your internet is down and you do not have access to your email through another device such as your cell phone, please have your guardian or learning coach try to call or text me to let me know. You should leave a message since I will likely be in class.

***My number is:
864.214.6677***

- 2.) Find a cozy spot AND read a book of your choice.
- 3.) Once you complete a good chunk of reading, complete one of these three choice options:
 - **Reader's Response:** Write a short paragraph responding to anything that you read - Did you like it? Dislike it? Easy vocab? Crazy vocab? Suspenseful? Surprising? Scary? Boring?
 - Simply respond in writing to what you read.
 - **Illustrate!** - Illustrate a picture or visual of something from your book. This could be a specific character, a scene, the setting, or just a general picture that relates back to what you read. Write a one sentence description/ explanation of your image.
 - **Vocabulary Check:** Choose 4-5 words from your reading that are good, grade-level vocabulary words. They may be ones you know OR ones you don't know. Write them down, and either define them from memory if you know the word, or look it up in the dictionary if you don't.