

AP English Literature & Composition

Summer Reading 2020

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Overview

Welcome to AP Lit for the 2020-2021 school year! I'm so excited to be teaching this course and diving into some great works of literature with you. This class will be challenging, but I am confident you will come out of it with a greater appreciation for all forms of writing and storytelling.

In order to come into the school year strong, please read *How to Read Literature Like a Professor* by Thomas C. Foster. You may either obtain your own hard copy (recommended) or you can access a PDF version [here](#). This text will serve as an anchor as we study various forms of literature during the year.

- As you read, it is highly encouraged that you:
 - Annotate the text
 - Note in the margins the texts that you can connect to the concepts discussed in the chapters
 - Write down any thoughts and/or questions you have about what you are reading
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One of the best things you can do as an AP English student is to be well-read. The more texts you read, the more you will be able to explore different voices, topics, ideas, and issues that will allow for richer discussion and analysis during the year. Ultimately, it will also help on the AP exam to have a plethora of texts you can recall. With that said, **it is very much encouraged that you read independently this summer as much as you can**. If you need suggestions, check [here](#) for some ideas, or you are free to email me. If you need access to free copies outside of your local public library, you should contact Ms. Potocki and/or Mrs. Kausch for what we have available in the FCHS e-books library, as well as checking out [Project Gutenberg](#).

Enjoy your summer, and do not hesitate to reach out via email if you have questions or concerns. Happy reading!