

AP Literature Summer Work 2020- 2021

1. Read *Jane Eyre* by Charlotte Bronte, Poetry Packets chapters 1 and 2, and **one book of your choice** from the AP Reading List that is new to you. Many of the books from the AP Reading list are free online at Project Gutenberg

2. Full Texts online:

Jane Eyre - <http://www.gutenberg.org/files/1260/1260-h/1260-h.htm>

Sound and Sense poetry Chapters 1 and 2 - <http://ponderosaenglishkessler.weebly.com/sound-and-sense.html>

AP Reading List - https://www.goodreads.com/list/show/149.AP_Literature

Free eBooks - Project Gutenberg- <https://www.gutenberg.org>

3. Read Poetry Packets chapters 1 and 2 (from the text *Sound and Sense*). Print the packets if you can. **Annotate and highlight poetic devices, important ideas/themes, etc., for each poem in the packets.** Both poetry packets are due on the first day of school.

4. As you read *Jane Eyre* and your choice book, take notes (in a Google Doc or by hand) and mark important quotes and literary devices. If you buy your own copies, you can annotate/highlight important quotes you want to remember. Many students buy used editions of all the AP texts on Amazon and keep them for reference in college. **Please complete a Summary Sheet for each work.** The Summary Sheets must be typed, double-spaced, and in MLA format. The Summary Sheets are due on the first day of school.

Include the following information (in this order) on your Summary Sheet:

- Title and author of book or drama
- Setting
- Point of view
- Literary devices such as foreshadowing, imagery, irony, meter, etc
- Plot summary: No more than several concise paragraphs.
- Major characters: Write one descriptive sentence for each.
- Minor characters: Write one descriptive sentence for each.
- Major themes: Define two to four, using complete statements for each (e.g. Failure to live one's dreams leads to misery)
- Writing style: Comment briefly on diction, syntax, tone, use of imagery and figurative language, irony, foreshadowing, degree of formality. Ask yourself, "How could I recognize a passage from this text if I encountered it later?"

5. All work is done independently; this is not group work. Summary sheets for *Jane Eyre* and your choice book will be turned in to turnitin.com the first day of school (code will be given in class). Late work policy for AP Literature is that it can only earn a maximum of 60% and will not be accepted after 2 weeks.

6. Be advised that there will be AP style in-class essays and/or multiple choice tests the first week or two of the school year addressing the summer works. This class requires extensive out of class reading, and weekly in-class essays and/or essay outlines, peer editing and mature discussions.

Have a fantastic summer. We are very much looking forward to our school year together!

- Mr. Beatty and Ms. Kessler