

AP English 11 : Summer Homework
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Welcome to AP! I am very excited to begin this voyage with you. Be prepared to look into texts in ways that you might never have expected. Below is your summer homework. It is important that you complete these assignments and turn them in by the first Friday of the school year. If you do not complete this work, you may not remain in AP English. If you are unsure of your placement, complete this work for your ticket into AP. Feel free to contact me with any questions; my email is listed below.

Part 1: Review Outlining and the Parts of an Essay

Please go to the following links and read the articles on outlining and essay composition. Take notes and write an outline of what you think an essay should feature. There will be bonus points for those students who print out and annotate the articles.

https://www.internationalstudent.com/essay_writing/essay_tips/

<https://www.examples.com/education/parts-of-an-essay.html>

<https://www.examples.com/education/outline-an-essay.html>

Please note that this formula for writing an essay is the basic level of essay writing. You will be expected to master this format by the end of the first semester- at the very latest.

Part 2: News Analysis

Periodically during the summer, watch a nightly news program from two different news outlets: FOX News, MSNBC, CNN, any of the local channels 5, 9, 12 & 19 (please only choose one local news station). For 7 of those days, take notes on the stories they cover. Pay attention to such things as: the tone of the broadcasters; the adjectives they use; the way they treat the subject; the footage they show, etc.

Reviewing those notes, write an essay comparing and contrasting the two news outlets. This essay should be about two pages typed in MLA format. Remember to give examples to prove your assertions! Please make notes of the dates you do this assignment. I will collect both the notes and the essay.

Part 3: Vocabulary

Follow the link below to find several Rhetorical Terms we will be studying this year. Please begin to study them over the summer and be prepared to have a vocabulary pre-test assessing your knowledge of these terms. The better you know these terms, the easier your life will be next school year. I will post more about these words in Google Classroom as time goes on.

<https://blog.prepscholar.com/ap-language-and-composition-terms>

Part 4: Novel

Obtain and read *Fahrenheit 451*. After reading this novel, chart out some of the differences and similarities between the society of this novel and our own. **Write a thoughtful essay comparing and evaluating the two societies.**

Essays should be typed, 2-3 pages in length, and in **MLA format**. Reference Purdue OWL for any questions regarding MLA format.

https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/mla_style/mla_formatting_and_style_guide/mla_general_format.html

Points will be taken off for those papers not following MLA format.

I expect your essay to be all original content. **PLEASE NOTE, ANY PLAGIARIZED ESSAYS WILL RECEIVE ABSOLUTELY NO CREDIT WITH NO CHANCE FOR MAKING UP THE GRADE.**

Be prepared to discuss this novel with the class. This novel can be purchased at any major bookstore, or you may get cheaper used copies at Half Priced Books, through Amazon, or find it for free at the library.

Electronic copy:

<https://www.secret-satire-society.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/01/Ray-Bradbury-Fahrenheit-451.pdf>

The audiobook can also be found in Youtube.

You may turn in your essay early through Google Classroom for extra credit. Any assignments not completed and turned in by Friday of the first week will receive a zero.

Part 5

Join my AP English: Summer Google Class. The class code is **sp1tu**. Not only will you receive credit for doing this simple task, but you will also be able to communicate with me and your classmates about this homework and the upcoming year.

Part 6: Know What You Have Signed Up For!

Familiarize yourself with the AP English: Language and Composition (not Literature) Exam, information is available on the College Board website:

<https://apstudent.collegeboard.org/apcourse/ap-english-language-and-composition>

Finally

Practice your grammar and learn how to type- there are plenty of online sites to help you with this- Explore!

If you have any questions about your assignments you may email me at:

edlerma@cpsboe.k12.oh.us ,or message me through Google Classroom (your best option).

Thank you and enjoy your summer!

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