

Dear Prospective AP Student:

If you plan on taking Advanced Placement English Literature & Composition (12th grade A.P.), then **you are required to read one of the following selections over the summer**. Evaluation of your reading will take place the **first days** of the course. No excuses will be offered for not having done a careful reading of your selection.

Metamorphosis by Franz Kafka
Frankenstein by Mary Shelley
"Othello" by William Shakespeare
Beloved by Toni Morrison

You can find these books at places like:

1. Barnes & Noble
2. Amazon.com
3. Half Price Books
4. Wheeler Room 510 or PDF on phone/laptop

Assignment

You are to produce notes (TYPED: Times New Roman, 12 font, double-spaced) on the book as follows:

- Title Page (centered: your name, the book title, the date of submission, my name)
- Make a list of important characters and write a few lines about each.
 - Minimum one good page.
- List the primary setting(s) of the novel and *discuss how these settings affect the characters and their actions*.
 - Minimum one good page per novel.
- Discuss the major conflicts in the novel.
 - Minimum one good page.
- Identify a minimum of three (3) themes in the novel and write an explanation that justifies the themes you came up with.
 - Minimum one good page.

Submission Deadline

- You will submit your summer work on to the HUB by 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday, August 23rd, 2018. *This assignment will count as grades.*
- You may submit your work early if you like.
- Directions:
 - Go to the HUB
 - Find Assignment – Summer Reading AP Lit/Comp 18-19
- Make sure you have submitted your assignment. Take a picture of submission as proof.
- You should not delay; if you wait until the end of the summer you will not have time to read and complete all the work.
- **WARNING:** Do not wait until the last minute until submitting. Sometimes clocks are not synchronized and you could miss the deadline if you wait until the last minute.

Additionally, there will be an assessment on the book you have read the first day of school.

This reading is for your own good. It will benefit you when you take your advanced placement examination in May 8, 2019. **The advanced placement examination is required of all students taking the course.**

Have a safe summer.

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