

AP Language and Composition

Summer Reading Assignment 2021

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The AP Language and Composition course differs from English classes you may have taken before. You will analyze writing and learn to develop sound reasoning and argumentation in your own writing. While we will read some novels, most of the reading will be nonfiction. In order to prepare for the AP course, you will need to complete the following assignments over the summer. This work is due on the **first day of class**.

Part 1: Read and Annotate

Buy a **print copy** of the book *Outliers* by Malcolm Gladwell. Read it and annotate the book as you read. Annotations should respond to the text in a meaningful way, with comments, questions, ideas written in the margins, definitions, or anything else of note. There's no need to go overboard, I just want to see consistent, insightful annotations.

Assessment: When we return to school in the fall, you will have a writing assignment based on the book. I will also check the print copy of your book and *briefly* review your annotations on the first day of school.

Part 2: News Logs

Choose one of your vacation weeks (Sunday to Sunday) to read the news. Each day, pick an article to read; the articles can be on any topic, but throughout the week, choose a variety of topics (sports, entertainment, politics, business, technology, opinion, etc). Make a chart like my example below (but with a row for each day/article), and complete it as you read your articles each day. This should be created as a Google Doc and submitted when we meet for our first class.

Headline,

author's name,

date, news source

Summary of the Article

Personal Reflection

| Headline, author's name, date, news source | Summary of the Article | Personal Reflection |
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| "A 4-Minute Surgery That Can Give Sight To The Blind" JASON BEAUBIEN February 22, 2018 NPR | The Himalayan Cataract Project is performing mass surgeries for cataracts in Eastern Ethiopia. The surgery, inexpensive and fast, can have life-changing outcomes for blind patients. | This article was really interesting and reminded me of a moving scene in the documentary <i>Planet Earth: Humans</i> . It showed a doctor performing similar mass surgeries in Nepal. It makes me hopeful about humanity: the affordability of this technology is creating better lives for people around the world, and these individual doctors are devoting their lives to helping others. |

Here are some online news sources to check out. Stick to these reputable sources:

- San Francisco Chronicle www.sfgate.com
- Los Angeles Times www.latimes.com
- Washington Post www.washingtonpost.com
- New York Times www.nytimes.com
- National Public Radio www.npr.org
- The Wall Street Journal www.online.wsj.com

- The Guardian www.theguardian.com/world
- The Science Christian Monitor www.csmonitor.com
- Al Jazeera www.aljazeera.com

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Part 3: AP Glossary Terms

Create a glossary of the essential terms in the list below. For each word, write the definition and an example. Save this as a Google Doc and you will submit it when we meet for class.

Assessment:

The glossary will be checked on the first day of class, but ultimately it will be a resource for you to use throughout the year. You will have a quiz on the glossary terms in the first quarter.

AP Glossary Terms

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| 1. allegory | 26. juxtaposition |
| 2. alliteration | 27. logos |
| 3. allusion | 28. metaphor |
| 4. anadiplosis | 29. metonymy |
| 5. analogy | 30. onomatopoeia |
| 6. anaphora | 31. oxymoron |
| 7. antithesis | 32. paradox |
| 8. archetype | 33. parallel structure/parallelism |
| 9. assonance | 34. parody |
| 10. asyndeton | 35. pathos |
| 11. cliché | 36. persona |
| 12. colloquialism | 37. personification |
| 13. connotation | 38. point of view |
| 14. denotation | 39. polysyndeton |
| 15. diction | 40. pseudonym |
| 16. epistrophe | 41. rhetoric |
| 17. epithet | 42. rhetorical question |
| 18. ethos | 43. sarcasm |
| 19. euphemism | 44. satire |
| 20. flashback | 45. simile |
| 21. hyperbole | 46. slang |
| 22. idiom | 47. stereotype |
| 23. imagery | 48. synecdoche |
| 24. irony | 49. syntax |
| 25. jargon | 50. tone |
| | 51. understatement |