

Advanced Placement English 2018/2019

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The purpose of the Advanced Placement English course is to examine literature the way a college course would. Therefore, it is imperative that you do the reading. The works are specifically chosen to help you prepare for A.P. free response questions. The goal is to make you accustomed to a real college course and the A.P. exam.

To this end you must read the following book over the summer: *Jane Eyre* by Charlotte Brontë

Do the reading! It is advised that you take notes on the book as you read. Read it completely and master it well.

You will be required to submit **one** short paper, using chapter citations, along with the reading of the book.

1. A bildungsroman, or coming-of-age novel, recounts the psychological or moral development of its protagonist from youth to maturity, when this character recognizes his or her place in the world. Select a single pivotal moment in the psychological or moral development of the protagonist of the bildungsroman, *Jane Eyre*. Then write a well-organized essay that analyzes how that single moment shapes the meaning of the work as a whole. Be sure to mention the literary devices, such as theme, tone, syntax, diction, mood, characterization, etc. that Brontë uses to portray the psychological development.

The paper should be 3-4 pages in length. If you have any questions, see me before the end of the school year. The paper will be due on Tuesday, September 11, 2018 submitted to turnitin.com. You will be given the turnitin class ID number and password on the first day of school.

In addition, you will read different works during the year some of which may include: Shakespeare, *Othello*; James, *The Turn of the Screw*; Williams, *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof*; Williams, *A Streetcar Named Desire*; Ibsen, *A Doll's House*; Camus, *The Stranger*; Sophocles, *Electra*; Twain, *Pudd'nhead Wilson*

The teacher reserves the right to alter the titles used in this course at any time. We will also be doing the usual elements of an English class: vocabulary and spelling, writing, extensive poetry unit, and a senior term paper.

Good Luck!