AP English - English Literature & Composition Summer Reading Assignment 2022

Due: First Day of Fall Semester **Google Classroom**: **Zk6bxat**

Points: 200

The AP Summer Reading Assignment consists of two novels that have social implications.

Close Reading

Please use sticky notes to mark short quotes and longer passages in the novels which seem to shed light on the following motifs and themes.

Brave New World by Aldous Huxley (1932)

Huxley's imaginary world has a decidedly utopian cast. Scratch beneath the surface, however, and you discover that there *is* nothing beneath the surface, because even the ruling class is kept infantile by means of conditioning, drugs and sex. The novel poses questions about immediate gratification and social control.

Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austin (1813)

This classic 19th century novel not only playfully explores relationships with rare wit, but also criticizes social norms and conventions. You will be engaged in the various plots. Think about the social commentary. What is the meaning of the title? To what extent are characters guilty of "pride" and "prejudice?"

Motifs and Themes to Sticky Note

- Shakespearean allusions
- Isolation
- Guilt
- Stability vs. Freedom
- Rebellion
- Individuality

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- Courtship and marriage
- Social class
- Family
- Money
- Pride
- Prejudice

Reading Assignment

Complete a 10 Moments Analysis for Each Novel

Having completed the reading, return to your sticky notes and select what you think are the **10** most important or interesting events from each novel. Then choose two quotes per event, which you marked, to create your 10 Moments Analysis. Copy the quotes and then write three to five sentences of commentary (your analysis, not plot summary).

Please be prepared to submit your 10 Moments Analysis to Turnitin.com and to Google Classroom.

Have a great reading summer!