

PINE VIEW SCHOOL
SUMMER READING 2014-2015
STUDENTS ENTERING ADVANCED PLACEMENT LANGUAGE AND COMPOSITION
GRADE 11

Assigned Reading: Amusing Ourselves to Death by Neil Postman

Reading Guide:

Formulate opinions about Postman's views, and be prepared to support those opinions using evidence from your personal experience and observation. Be able to discuss the implications of Postman's views for our culture—politics, education, for example. Students will participate in class discussions and write essays on topics drawn from Postman's work.

You will need to remember specific details that Postman uses to support his points. Also, you will be responsible for learning vocabulary that is new to you.

Suggested Reading: Titles and authors whose works are suggested by the AP College Board which you may enjoy reading over the summer.

1. THEY SAY, I SAY – THE MOVES THAT MATTER IN ACADEMIC WRITING, by Graff and Birkenstein
2. THE ELEMENTS OF STYLE, by Strunk and White