

Grade 11 AP English Language and Composition Summer Reading 2011

Overview: One of your requirements for AP English 11 is to read two (2) novels over the summer. From List A, you are to choose one novel to read and then complete the following assignment. From List B, read *In Cold Blood* a little closer to the beginning of school, as you will have a written assessment on the first day of school.

List A- Complete the summer reading assignment

The Alchemist- Pablo Coelho

Anthem- Ayn Rand

List B- Teacher directed assessment during the first week of school

In Cold Blood- Truman Capote (mature content)

Point Value: 50 points for the List A assignment that is based on how well you adhere to guidelines, logical expression, clear connections to book, factual information, format, grammar, and proper use of citations.

Due Date: A paper hard copy is due the first day of school. You will also submit this project as a Word document to Turnitin.com after school begins. I will give you the information to set up your new Turnitin account on the first day of school.

Summer Reading Assignment: After reading one of the List A works of fiction, choose any three elements of fiction from the list below and write a paragraph on each element explaining how that element exists in your chosen work. Each double-spaced paragraph should include a topic sentence, a concluding sentence, concrete details that include specific examples and quote with page numbers from the novel. The elements you may choose from are:

Theme	Symbolism	Irony (dramatic, situational, verbal)
Setting	Metaphors	Style (sentence structure, word choice)
Imagery	Point of View	Structure (flashback, chronological)
Similes	Analogies	Character Development
Satire	Foreshadowing	

Include at least 2 direct quotations (descriptions or dialogue) from the book that you cite with the page number followed by a semi-colon, chapter abbreviation followed by a period and chapter number in parenthesis. Final quotation punctuation goes after the end parenthesis.

Example: Lou Ann says, "If Mama ever got married again I'd dance a jig at her wedding" (111; ch. 8).