

English 12 Summer Reading 2011

English 12 – All incoming seniors in English 12 must read the required book and short story from List A, as well as one book from List B. Complete the summer reading assignment for the book and short story from List A, and be prepared to turn in a hard copy on the first day of school. You will also turn in this assignment as a Word Document to turnitin.com. You will be given these instructions at the beginning of school. Be prepared to complete an in-school assessment over the book you read from List B during the first week of school.

List A (Required book and short story): Read both and complete summer reading assignment

How to Read Literature like a Professor - Thomas Foster

“A Modest Proposal”: - Jonathan Swift (available online at <http://www.fullbooks.com/A-Modest-Proposal.html>)

List B: Choose one – Teacher-directed assessment during the first week of school

And Then There Were None – Agatha Christie

The Power and the Glory – Graham Greene

Island – Aldous Huxley

The Razor's Edge – Somerset Maugham

Elephant Man – Christine Sparks

English 12 Summer Reading Assignment (List A)

Use the topics discussed in *How to Read Literature Like a Professor* to analyze Jonathan Swift's “A Modest Proposal.” Discuss at least four chapter topics from Foster's books (for example: a quest, symbolism, politics, geography, religion, irony, or stereotypes). How are Foster's lessons illustrated in Swift's short story?

Essay Requirements

- 1) MLA format (standard heading and header information, 12-point font, Times New Roman, 1” margins, double-spaced) – **refer to SJA WRITING HANDBOOK**
- 2) Minimum of 2 pages (works cited page not included)
- 3) Work Cited page (citation information for book and short story)
- 4) **At least** 7 quotes (not necessarily dialogue) with correct parenthetical citations and correctly embedded/introduced (you should never have a quote as an independent sentence)
- 5) Proofread your essay before you turn it in! Watch your grammar, structure, and logic.
- 6) Turn in the hard copy on the first day of classes. You will also submit this essay to www.turnitin.com during the first week of the 2011 – 2012 school year.