

Pompano Beach High School
Advanced Placement English Language and Composition
Summer Reading Assignment 2021-2022

Congratulations on your decision to take the AP Language and Composition class!

Part 1: Read

Krakauer, Jon. **Into the Wild**. New York: Anchor **Books**, 1997. Print.

As you read, keep a dialectical journal! These journals will consist of quotations to which you respond critically for each work. **Journals are due the first day of class. Our first lessons will revolve around the book.**

1. Please label and date journals appropriately.
2. Select one quotation or passage for approximately every 15 pages.
3. Respond to the quotations, focus on the ways in which the author uses language to create an effect. Focus can be tone and theme.
4. What is it about the language that stands out and makes the passage distinctive?
5. How does the passage reflect the author's style and reveal larger themes of the work?
6. I expect responses to be developed thoughtfully and intellectually. Responses should be approximately 60 words in length.
7. The dialectical journals should be constructed in the following manner:

Quote Response

“Write the quote from the book Your response and analysis of the on the left side of the paper with quote should be written on the opposite the correct MLA citation” (176). side of the page.

Response Column

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Part II

Podcasts- You must use from this list.

The focus of AP Language and Composition is nonfiction reading and becoming a world scholar, so in preparation for this type of reading we are asking you to read to one podcast from list below and listen to new episodes from this podcast over the summer.

- 99% Invisible: 99% Invisible is about all the thought that goes into the things we don't think about —the unnoticed architecture and design that shape our world.
- Clear and Vivid: You'll know many of the people in these conversations – they are luminaries in our culture. Some you may not know. But what links them all is their powerful ability to relate and communicate. With his unique blend of humor and insight, Alda explores the ways we can connect better with one another in every area of our lives. Something we need now more than ever.

- Radiolab: Radiolab is a show about curiosity. Where sound illuminates ideas, and the boundaries blur between science, philosophy, and human experience.
- StarTalk Radio: Radio program devoted to all things space and is hosted by renowned astrophysicist Neil deGrasse Tyson
- Invisibilia: Invisibilia (Latin for invisible things) is about the invisible forces that control human behavior – ideas, beliefs, assumptions and emotions.
- Serial (listen to Season 1 or 2): Using investigative journalism, Koenig narrates a nonfiction story over multiple episodes.
- StartUp: StartUp is a podcast series about what it's really like to get a business off the ground.
- Ted Talk Radio Hour: A journey through fascinating ideas: astonishing inventions, fresh approaches to old problems, new ways to think and create.
- Planet Money: The economy, explained, with stories and surprises.
- Stuff You Should Know: The podcast educates listeners on a wide variety of topics, often using popular culture as a reference giving the podcast comedic value.
- Nova: NOVA brings you short audio stories from the world of science — anything from hurricanes to mummies to neutrinos.
- Rationally Speaking: Explores the borderlands between reason and nonsense, likely and unlikely, and science and pseudoscience.

As you listen to these podcasts, **please complete ten Podcast Response Worksheets** on three different podcasts titles.

Make certain that your responses contain specifics about each of the questions. (Quotes or direct paraphrases from the episode)

Podcast Response Worksheet

Student Name: _____ Date: _____

Title of Podcast: _____

Date of Podcast Posting:

Interviewer:

Guest Speaker:

What was the topic (main idea) of the podcast?

What was one main point of interest to you in the podcast and why?

What made you choose this podcast?

What is one specific idea or concept you learned from this podcast episode?