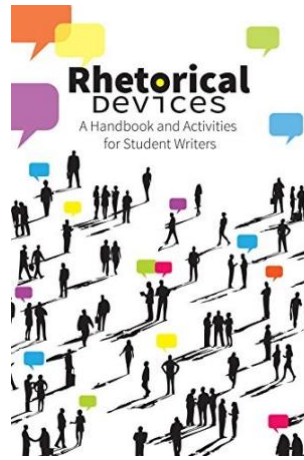


AP English Language and Composition Summer Assignment

1. Rhetorical Devices

These books contain most of the terms that you will study and implement this year. Please examine the books and **create some kind of handwritten study device** (cannot be digital) for the terms in the books. There is crossover on several terms and will apply them on a daily basis.



Rhetorical Devices: A Handbook and Activities for Student Writers

2. Current Events

Students will complete 10 Current Events based on the topics provided below. You can pick any article that fits the topic from a reliable source. Reliable sources include but are not limited to: New York Times, CNN, Forbes, NASA, Fox News, Washington Post, Wallstreet Journal, Sun Sentinel, etc. Use the following resources below to complete this task: blank current event grid, and an example of how to complete the grid.

Current Event Categories

Category	Description
Business/ Technological Advancements	Articles will discuss significant activities of Fortune 500 or other famous companies, including mergers, acquisitions, and dissolutions of major companies, or about new technological inventions; new computer software or programs; and new devices.
Criminals, Courts, & Punishment	Articles will discuss crimes, courts, and criminals. Articles will also discuss historically significant events/decisions of the US Supreme Court or the highest courts of individual states, other countries, or international-level courts.
Disasters	Articles will discuss clues to identify what natural or man-made disaster occurred or where it occurred. Details in the articles should help readers differentiate between similar disasters.
Entertainment	Articles will discuss movies; Broadway plays and TV shows; actors/actresses; video games/digital games; and music/musicians/music services that won awards or broke records or were in the popular culture for additional reasons. May include e-sports.
International Politics	Articles will discuss significant events involving politicians, political parties, military leaders, and government officials from outside the United States.
National Politics	Articles will discuss significant events involving American politicians, political parties, military leaders, and government officials.
Obituaries	Articles will discuss the names of national and world leaders or prominent individuals who died by describing important events from their lives. (Ex. Colin Powel, Rosalynn Carter, Sandra Day O'Connor, etc.)
Miscellaneous	Articles will discuss other miscellaneous newsworthy topics.
Science, Space, & Medicine	Articles will discuss scientific discoveries; important events in astronomy/space exploration; important medical breakthroughs; outbreaks of major diseases; and discovery of cures to major diseases.
Sports	Articles will discuss significant events involving teams or athletes who play major college and professional American men's/women's sports, football, baseball/softball, hockey, and basketball; Grand Slam tournaments in golf and tennis; American auto racing; Triple Crown events in American horse racing; World Cup Soccer; and Olympics.

TITLE:	AUTHOR:	SUBJECT:
PUBLICATION INFORMATION MLA citation:		
SUMMARY/CONTEXT (<i>Why is the author writing about this issue? What does the author do/say about it in this piece?</i>):		
THESIS (<i>What main message does the author convey?/What is the purpose of the piece?</i>):		
OBSERVATIONS (<i>What do you notice about the rhetorical devices, structure, and/or style employed by the author?</i>):	ANALYSIS (<i>How does the author use these rhetorical devices, structural, and/or stylistic approaches to convey his/her message?</i>):	
REFLECTION (<i>Why did you choose this piece? Did you enjoy it? Why/Why not? How valuable is the contribution the author makes to dialogue about this topic? How does the author's perspective contribute to a greater awareness of the world we live in?</i>)		

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TITLE: AP Lang is amazing		AUTHOR: B. Bullard	SUBJECT: English
PUBLICATION INFORMATION MLA citation: Citationmachine.net			
SUMMARY/CONTEXT (Why is the author writing about this issue? What does the author do/say about it in this piece?): At least 5 sentences			
THESIS (What main message does the author convey?/What is the purpose of the piece?): At least 3 sentences			
OBSERVATIONS (What do you notice about the rhetorical devices, structure, and/or style employed by the author?): 3 things you noticed		ANALYSIS (How does the author use these rhetorical devices, structural, and/or stylistic approaches to convey his/her message?): At least 2 sentences per observations. (so 3 observations = 6 sentences total)	
REFLECTION (Why did you choose this piece? Did you enjoy it? Why/Why not? How valuable is the contribution the author makes to dialogue about this topic? How does the author's perspective contribute to a greater awareness of the world we live in?) Answer all 5 questions			