

Advanced Placement Language and Composition

Summer Reading Activity

Welcome to Advanced Placement English Language and Composition. Your first assignment begins this summer. You will need to obtain a copy of *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain, read the novel, and complete the activity described below by Monday, 19 August 2019.

- 1) If you are enrolled in Advanced Placement Language and Composition, you are to read *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain and annotate the text.
- 2) Select twenty-five (25) passages that are significant and complete a dialectic journal entry for each selection.
- 3) A dialectic journal is a type of two column journal system wherein selected passages are quoted (exact quotation) in the left column and the significance and purpose of the cited passage is explicated in the right column. The right column should be used to deeply analyze the language of the portion selected and relate the analysis back to a theme or motif explored in the work.
- 4) Choose your selections carefully and thoroughly analyze them.
- 5) In the right column discuss the quoted passage, paying attention to its language, purpose, thematic importance and style. Here you should consult and USE the verbs for academic discourse (see attachment here on the summer reading site). All your commentaries should be thorough and precise. **AVOID PLOT SUMMARY AND USE OF PERSONAL PRONOUNS.**
- 6) Please find attached the dialectic journal sheet that you must use and prepare prior to returning to school on August 19, 2013. Additionally, the Verbs for Academic Discourse can also be found on here. The work should be typed, double-spaced and written using Times New Roman, 12-point font.
- 7) The intention of this assignment is to assess your strengths in analysis and deep reading. Any use of Spark Notes, Cliff Notes, Shmoop, or any other such *student* “aid” website is prohibited and, if found to have been used, is grounds for receiving a failing grade.