

Hilliard Davidson High School
AP Literature & Composition 2018-2019
Mr. Maite & Mr. Owens
Summer Work / Expectations

What Are Our Expectations?

1. In AP Literature & Composition, students are expected to provide **physical copies** of each of the books that we read; we recommend Dover Thrift Editions, when available, as these no-frills copies of the books typically cost around \$5 apiece
2. Students should expect to read all books twice: once for comprehension of plot, once for appreciation of literary merits
3. All texts should be thoroughly annotated throughout the reading experience in order to enhance depth of understanding

What Will We Read Over Summer 2018?

- *How to Read Literature Like a Professor*, Thomas C. Foster
- *The Awakening*, Kate Chopin
- *The Tempest*, William Shakespeare

What Other Books Do We Need to Buy?

- *The Metamorphosis*, Franz Kafka
- *A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man*, James Joyce
- *Hamlet*, William Shakespeare
- *The Sound and the Fury*, William Faulkner
- *1984*, George Orwell

What Must Students Do Over the Summer PRIOR TO DAY 1?

1. Annotate all three books; be prepared to show your teacher your books on Day 1 with evidence of these thorough annotations
2. For *How to Read Literature Like a Professor* (Foster), students will write one 2-3 sentence "takeaway" for **each** of the 27 chapters
 - a. These are to be completed and submitted electronically
 - b. These are to be completed *individually*; duplicate responses will be considered cheating, given a zero, and result in a write-up (not a good first-impression)
3. For *The Awakening* (Chopin) and *The Tempest* (Shakespeare), students will be prepared for in-class assessments on Day 1
 - a. Formats of assessments could be, but are not limited to: timed essays, multiple choice tests
 - b. Students are expected to have a flawless comprehension of plot.

What Else Should We Know Before Day 1?

1. This class is designed to prepare you for the AP Literature & Composition test. If you elect not to take the test, you will be given a "retired" AP test. Your performance on this test will make up a significant portion of your fourth-quarter grade.
2. Digital technology may not be used daily; do not plan on playing on your iPad every day, but please have it available.