

2017 AP Literature Summer Assignment PARTS A/B/C REQUIRED

Assignment A: Novel: The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn by Mark Twain

Read and annotate the novel with the following guiding question: How does the journey down the river affect the character of Huckleberry Finn? **(due Monday, August 27)**

Huckleberry Finn's Scrapbook Directions: (due Tuesday, September 4)

This book chronicles Huckleberry Finn's journey down the Mississippi River.

For each location, you will create a scrapbook page. You should put yourself in the role of the character and determine what HE/SHE would think important as representative.

A scrapbook is defined as "a book of blank pages for sticking clippings, drawings, or pictures in."

This means that things should be STUCK TO the scrapbook pages.

A scrapbook page should include all of the following types of items:

- Mementoes representing events/motifs from the chapter: A memento can be something like a ticket or program, a candy wrapper or label, a newspaper clipping, etc.
- Photographs/postcards/sketches: If you think the character could have taken or gotten a photo of himself, others, or places in the chapter, include those. You can create a postcard to put in the scrapbook. You could also include sketches or drawings, if well done.
- Reflections: Consider specific passages from the chapter and use them as inspiration to write from the character's perspective. Identify the pages referenced.
- Decorative touches and arrangements: A scrapbook page is put together with purpose to create a unified effect. Consider the tone of the chapter and try to replicate the tone visually through your page. Consider color, texture, and thematic elements as you plan and execute your scrapbook page.

Scrapbooks should have

- ❖ A decorative front cover and a back cover, both of stiff/hard composition
- ❖ Items appropriate to the time period. They did not have computers then, so writing should appear handwritten.
- ❖ Effort appropriate to an AP course (This is your first MAJOR GRADE)

Remember, the purpose of this assignment is to show what you know, and it will count as the first major grade of the semester; therefore, you should put forth time, effort, and skill.

Assignment B: How to Read Literature Like a Professor by Thomas C. Foster

For each chapter, create a notecard including the title, information about the technique, and two examples that he used and you understand. **(due Monday, August 27)**

We will be using these notecards extensively to discuss Huckleberry Finn and other literature.

Assignment C: College Essay

In order to provide a writing sample and an opportunity for feedback, you will bring with you on the first day of school a college essay. It may be handwritten or on your phone if you do not have a chromebook on the first day of school. **(due Monday, August 27)**

You may use a prompt from an individual college for which you are applying OR choose one of the FIRST 6 prompts from the 2019-19 common app:

<http://www.commonapp.org/whats-appening/application-updates/2018-2019-common-application-essay-prompts>

DO NOT SUBMIT ANY WORK THAT IS NOT 100% a result of your reading, thought, and individual effort!! If you consult online sources of information, you must give credit for each word OR idea you use.

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