

AP Literature & Composition

Summer Reading Assignment 2020

Welcome to Advanced Placement English Literature & Composition! I'm excited that you will be participating in our challenging seminar. Your dedication to the assigned reading and overall effort on the written assignments will ultimately prepare you for the exam next May. The first step of AP Literature will be your commitment to the summer reading.

Task:

Read and annotate **The Stranger** by Albert Camus.

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Synopsis:

Through the story of an ordinary man unwittingly drawn into a senseless murder on an Algerian beach, Camus explores what he termed "the nakedness of man faced with the absurd."

Annotating:

While you're reading, be sure to mark up the pages in the novel:

- a) Look up words you don't know.
- b) Ask questions.
- c) Comment on the actions or development of a character. Does the character change? Why? How? The result?
- d) Comment on any conflicts that occur.
- e) Comment on lines/passages you think are significant, powerful or meaningful.
- f) Express agreement or disagreement.
- g) Summarize key events. Make predictions. Formulate opinions.
- h) Note anything you'd like to discuss in class or don't understand.

*Please bring the novel with you to class on the first day of school.