



## AP English Language and Composition Summer Assignment

### 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Advanced Placement English Language and Composition

#### Summer Reading and Projects

These assignments are due the **second day of school**. If it is not turned in, you will be moved to Honors or Regular English.  
No  
Exceptions.

#### PART ONE – CRITICAL READING AND ANALYSIS

- Read ***The Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave***. After reading book, read **Kansas-Nebraska Act Speech at Peoria, Illinois by Abe Lincoln and the Fredrick Douglass reaction speech to Kansas- Nebraska Act**. The links are below:

<https://rbscp.lib.rochester.edu/4400>

<https://teachingamericanhistory.org/document/speech-on-the-kansas-nebraska-act-at-peoria-illinois-abridged/>

After reading the book and the two speeches, in a well-organized essay state why Douglass took the position that he did on this issue. Tie evidence back to the book and/or Lincoln's speech as well. Please cite in the paper from the sources given or you may use outside sources as well. 2 ½ pages and a works cited as well.

Complete all of the following to be turned in on **the second day of school**. Take may also take notes on these works as you read. Additional assignments/tests regarding these works of literature may be given within the first two weeks of school:

**This will also be submitted to turnitin for me to check as well. \*\*Instructions at end of summer reading assignment.**

## Part Two:

- Read “Way to Wealth” by Ben Franklin. ( Amazon- **ISBN 10: 1434442381**) This is a 28 page essay that uses aphorisms and pithy sayings to prove Franklin’s point. Take notes on the essay as you read. Mark aphorisms that stand out to you and note why he was saying them and in what context. What was his overall purpose in this work? Do you agree or disagree? Do you think it is still relevant today? There will be a quiz on this shortly after you return to school. Be familiar with what it says.

## PART THREE– RHETORICAL DEVICES

- **Rhetorical Devices Project**

**Step one** - Go to [www.americanrhetoric.com](http://www.americanrhetoric.com) . Click on ‘figures in sound’ on the left hand side

**Step two** – On the right of the screen, you will see a box with various rhetorical devices listed in blue font. Find the devices listed below:

Asyndeton, Assonance, Climax, Anadiplosis, Aposiopesis, Euphemism, Polysyndeton, Anaphora  
Antithesis, Parallelism, Cacophony, Irony, Pleonasm, Epithet, Tautology Alliteration

**Step three**- type out and start to memorize the definitions of each device.

**Step four**- Listen to how each of these are pronounced. What type of effects would they have? Record in a statement the type of effect it would have in a sentence.

**Step five**-Create a single, original example of each of the 11 devices. Strive to create, with your work, effects similar to the effects that you have observed. You will be graded on correctness and power and effectiveness of the example you create.

**Step six**- Write a one page typed speech that begins with, My Fellow Americans... Use between four and six examples of rhetoric. Highlight and label each of the devices in the argument. It needs to be powerful and passionate. Double spaced.

**Topic for speech- Religion does (or does not) belong in public education**

Step Seven- Type all of your information and examples as well as your essay and staple together to be presented as one unit.

**Submit this essay to Turnitin as well.**

Turnitin instructions- If you are a former student and you already have a TURNITIN account then please log in and use the drop down box to find my name to add your summer reading assignments. You will submit the Just Mercy essay and the rhetorical speech as well. They must be submitted by **AUGUST 11<sup>th</sup> by 11:59**. A HARD copy of both assignments must also be brought to class the next day.

If you are NEW toTKA, please log in to turnitin and follow the prompts that are given. The password for my class is englishrocks and the ID # is 34141668

I am on my computer all throughout the summer. Please email me if you have any concerns. [nstack@tka.net](mailto:nstack@tka.net) looking forward to seeing you soon!

