

AP English 12 Summer Reading

2022-2023

Works to be used:

In addition to your One School / Many Books selection, below is your Summer Reading Assignment.

Hamlet by William Shakespeare. Use only a traditional version of this play; do not use a “modern” version.
Things Fall Apart by Chinua Achebe (ISBN: 978-0385474542)

The Assignment

After reading *Hamlet*, *Things Fall Apart*, and *Macbeth* (read during AP junior year), show how the rhetoric used by characters reflects each character’s attitude toward other characters in the work.

Use no more than the rhetoric of 2 characters from each work.

In a manner worthy of an AP 12 student, connect the attitudes and/or characters across works.

Guidelines

1. Use documentation to support your statements. **Be careful to avoid plagiarism. Remember to document paraphrases.** Use in-text MLA documentation.
2. Your paper must be no less than **6 full pages**. A paper of more than 7 pages is too long and will not be accepted. Your paper should follow all Departmental Manuscript Requirements for the preparation of papers.
3. There should be a Works Cited Page following MLA format. Please download the *BCS Style Guide* so that you will have a reliable reference during the summer.
4. Feel free to email me with any questions you may have: mcnabors@briarcrest.com
There will be completely optional Help Session on July 20th 10 am.

Grading Rubric

Please attach the Grading Rubric to your paper.

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This assignment is a 200-point grade, with the points being distributed as indicated below:

Synthesis

 /25 points to include

- ◇Correct use of appropriate documentation in appropriate form
- ◇Seamless insertion of documented materials so as not to detract from readability, including the use of documented paraphrases
- ◇Good use of documented research to support the paper

Exigence

see Grading Rubric in the Syllabus

 / 125 points to include

- ◇paper is clear & focused; holds reader’s attention
- ◇organization enhances and showcases the central theme, is compelling, & moves the reader through the text
- ◇presented in a voice and tone appropriate to the audience, engages the craft of writing to respect the purpose for writing
- ◇proper use of unity, coherence, and emphasis once the thesis has been presented
- ◇words convey the intended message, are powerful and engaging; good use of transitions and other organizational elements
- ◇sentences underscore & enhance the meaning of the paper; appropriate vocabulary for a formal theme, good syntax, appropriate attention to the rhetorical situation

Conventions

 /50 points

- ◇writer adheres to standard writing conventions, including grammatical accuracy based on the **Briarcrest Style Guide** text assigned for class
 x 1 = - x 5 = -
- ◇writer uses conventions to enhance readability
- ◇paragraphing reinforces sound organizational structure

Notice

- ◇This sheet must be attached to the paper when submitted. Failure to do so will result in a 25-point deduction

You will be tested over *Things Fall Apart* by Chinua Achebe (ISBN: 978-0385474542) and there will be a graded assignment relating to your One School/Many Books Selection during the first week of school.