

This assignment is due the **second day of school**. If it is not turned in, you will be moved to regular English.

No
Exceptions!

**Advanced Placement English Language and
Composition**

(11th grade) - Summer Reading/Projects

PART ONE – CRITICAL READING AND ANALYSIS

- **Read *The Awakening* by Kate Chopin and *The Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave***

For **each book**, complete all of the following to be turned in on **the second day of school**. 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:

Part I – *The Awakening* by Kate Chopin

**Before reading this novel please read a short online biography about Kate Chopin and her life. This will be helpful for you to see the similarities between Chopin and the main character, Edna.

**As you are reading the novel pay close attention to the “setting” of this book. Keep in mind that the book takes place in the late 1800’s when the role of women was emerging but still very stifled. Edna does not fit into the role of being an “ideal” mother.

It has been said that what we value can be determined only by what we sacrifice. In the *Awakening* the reader can see that Edna’s sacrifice of herself illuminates her values and provides a deep understanding of the work as a whole. Compose a TWO page essay that demonstrates your understanding of this concept. Please make sure you include specific examples from the book. ❏ (This is not a summary of the book. Please have an opening paragraph but the rest of the paragraphs should prove your point.) **Please cite from the book as proof. Example-(Chopin 10) this is to be in 12 font and double-spaced. This will also be submitted to turnitin for me to check as well. **Instructions at end of summer reading assignment.**

Part Two - Research: (for the Douglass work only). Takes notes on *The Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass*. Be prepared for a discussion on this assignment. It will happen near the beginning of the school year.

Part Three

- Read “Way to Wealth” by Ben Franklin. Amazon- (**ISBN 10: 1434442381**) This is an 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.

SECTION FOUR– RHETORICAL DEVICES

- **Rhetorical Devices Project**

Step one - Go to 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 sixteen 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- Unity of the Country as far as the 2024 Election goes

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 The Awakening Essay, and speech as well. They must be submitted by AUGUST 15 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 # **43657454**

I am on my computer all throughout the summer. Please email me if you have any concerns. nstack@tka.net
Looking forward to seeing you soon!