10th Grade AICE LANG (NON CAAPP) Summer Reading
2026-2027
Park Vista Community High School

Directions: Students are to print a copy of the poem AND the short story below and read them.

PART I.
"I Am Offering this Poem" by Jimmy Santiago Baca
https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poems/53092/i-am-offering-this-poem

"She Unnames Them" by Ursula K. LeGuin
https://marswillsendnomore.files.wordpress.com/2022/10/07ae4-she-unnames-them-by-ursula-leguin.pdf
******Don't forget to answer the eight questions at the end of the story******

Directions (cont.): After reading both, students are to mark up (underline, highlight, and annotate) the passages for the following:

1. Theme (there can be more than one)
2. Characterization (may only apply to the short story)
3. Unique language features that add to the overall meaning of the text, such as figurative language, rhetorical devices, sentence types and structures, imagery, etc.

**All students must bring their printed copies on the first FULL day of instruction. You can print for FREE in Park Vista's media center if needed. County public libraries are also a fantastic resource for printing if needed.

PART II.
Rhetorical Devices- Incoming 10th graders, it is imperative that you understand figurative language—both how to use it effectively in your own writing and how to identify it within a reading passage.

Please click on the link and make a copy of the document. You will be expected to complete this chart. Be prepared to submit your chart into your teacher's Google Classroom once school begins.

Devices Chart

Have a great summer!
We look forward to meeting you in August.