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#### Welcome to Survey of Literature CP/Honors

Your summer reading is an essential component to start the year right. The book listed below was selected to best prepare you for success in your Survey of Literature class.

Please read the following book over the summer: *To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee* 

This year's summer reading assignments are a little different from what you're used to, so please follow the instructions and do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

#### Follow these guidelines:

- You must choose activities that ADD UP to 100 points. You may choose two activities of 40 and one of 20. Or you may choose three activities of 30 and one of 10. It doesn't matter how many activities you choose, but they must add up to 100 points. (Honors students must choose activities that add up to 150)
- For a 30 point activity, you must write at least TWO paragraphs.
- Remember each paragraph must include a minimum of **8-10 sentences.** Make sure you have a topic sentence, supporting details and a concluding sentence.
- You MUST select activities from the **different elements** of fiction (characters, setting, personal connections and story structure).
- You can do additional activities/tasks to obtain more points.
- You will need to submit your summer reading assignments the first day of school via Google Classroom.
- ALL work must be TYPED.
- Make sure you make it clear which activities you are choosing by adding the letter and title of each activity.

## **Summer Reading Grades:**

When you return in the fall I will collect the work you have completed for *To Kill a Mockingbird* on the first or second day of class.

DO NOT take the answers from on-line; you will receive a ZERO if you are suspected of plagiarizing.

You will be tested on the novel within the first marking. I realize that the summer reading texts can be easily obtained online and that you could complete the work without reading the book. But you have been given assignments and essay prompts that will be impossible to complete unless you have actually read the novel. Please do not attempt to complete assignments or write an essay on a book you haven't read-it will not go well.

FAILURE TO COMPLETE THE SUMMER READING WILL AFFECT THE 1<sup>ST</sup> MARKING PERIOD GRADE, AS THIS IS ASSIGNMENT WILL BE GRADED AS A TEST and Quiz GRADE.

Good Luck, and remember it's never too early to start your summer reading!

# **CHARACTER**

# **SETTING**

E. Prized Setting	F. Important Scenes		
The book you read took place in different places/locations. Which place did you like the most? Why did you pick this place? Did the place create a beautiful picture in your mind (visualize)? Was the place important to the plot and the story? Did it remind you of another place/spot you like (connection)?  Discuss the setting and explain your answer in TWO paragraphs.	Pick your FAVORITE character. Which settings deeply affected your character's decisions and feelings? Which settings created conflict/problems for your character?  Identify 2 or 3 settings and explain the impact/effect the settings have on the character.  You must write TWO paragraphs.		
30 POINTS	30 POINTS		
G. Place Post Card	H. Past, Present, Future		
Create a postcard that celebrates a favorite setting from the book. It could be a rainforest, a desert or even the character's bedroom.  On one side draw a picture of the place (Write: greetings from). On the other, imagine that you just vacationed there and tell a friend about this place.  When you are done address it to a classmate who has not read the book.  Greetings From  (picture)  Dear Jose,  Love,  Love,  S POINTS	In this book, are the characters living in the past, the future or do they remain in the present time? (Explain) Give 3 examples from the book to support your answer.		
	20 POINTS		

## PERSONAL CONNECTIONS

#### I. Get In Shape

If you had to pick a shape to represent the story you just read, which would it be? A triangle because it's about 3 best friends? A diamond because the most important scenes take place in a baseball game? A circle because the main character ends up back where he started? Dig deep into your imagination and tell why the shape you selected reminds you of the story.

Write at least TWO paragraphs to explain your choice.

30 POINTS

## K. That's a Keeper

Ten years from now (in 2020), what do you think you will remember about the book you just read? Do you think you would remember the settings because they seemed real to you? Do you think you will remember the main character because he reminds you of your brother or sister? Or will you remember a scene that made you laugh so hard you fell off your chair?

Think about it and then DRAW a snapshot/picture of your favorite memory/scene. Also, write at least 4 sentences to describe it.

10 POINTS

## J. Who Interests you?

You board a train and you discover you have the choice to sit next to the main character or another character in your book. With whom would you choose to talk? Why? What would you like to ask the character? What would you tell him or her?

Create a dialogue between you and your character. Make sure you have at least 15 lines of dialogue. Use quotation marks.

#### Example:

Me: "Hi, Charlotte. How are you feeling?" Charlotte: "I'm exhausted. I just finished laying my eggs."

Me: "Oh that's so exciting. But, what will happen to you now?"

Charlotte: "it is time for me to go..."

## 20 POINTS

#### L. New Kid in Town

Imagine that the main character is moving to Union City. Will he or she fit in and feel comfortable? Why or why not? Compare your character to Union City. How are his/her values similar or different to Union City? Write a paragraph and make sure to include examples/details from Union City to support your answer.

#### **EXAMPLE**:

If Wilbur moved into Union CIty, I think he would have a hard time surviving here because he is a pig and people here love to eat pork! Also, I think he would enjoy going to the waterfront and breathing the fresh air because here in Union City we have....

#### 20 POINTS

## Story Structure

## M. Step into the Story

Think of plot as a staircase full of steps leading up, up, and up to the book's conclusion.

Make a staircase graphic organizer. Write a key (important) event on each step (at least 5 steps) until you reach the end of the story. Decide which step is the most important to the story.

Explain the most important step in ONE paragraph.

#### 20 POINTS

# O. Key Event

What is the most important event in the book you just read? A boy winning a basketball game? A girl solving a mystery?

Write a ONE paragraph description of what you consider the story's most important (key) event and explain why you think this event is important.

#### **EXAMPLE**

In the book Holes, I think one of the most important events is that Stanley Yelnats IV broke the gypsy's curse. In my opinion,..... In addition, I think..... Finally, I believe this event...

## N. Add a Chapter

When you have finished the very last page of a great story, do you ever find yourself thinking "I wonder what happened next?"

Think carefully about the book you have just read, kick your imagination into high gear, and tell what you think would occur in the following chapter.

Write a chapter of at least TWO paragraphs explaining how the story continues. Be creative!!

#### 30 POINTS

## P. Changing Chapter Titles

Does the book you just read have chapter titles or just plain numbers (Chapter 8)? In this activity, you will need to come up with new names for at least 5 chapters. Make sure the titles grab the readers' attention and make them understand what the chapters are about. In a graphic organizer explain your titles briefly.

## **EXAMPLE**

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Title	Explanation		
Chapter 1: Arriving	I chose this title		
to Camp Green Lake	because the main		
	character arrives to a		
	camp called Camp		
	Green Lake. In this		
	chapter the camp is		
	described.		

#### 25 POINTS

#### 15 POINTS

Survey	y of	Literature `	Summer	Reading	Rubric

Name:			

Book: Frankenstein

<u>Author:</u> Mary Shelley

	Activity-Letter (a-p)	Possible points	Points Earned (teacher)
Character			
Setting			
Story Structure			
Personal Connections			
Other Choices			
Final Grade			