

Summer Reading Assignment: IB Literature A Year 2 (Seniors)

Your assigned reading is the novel *Silas Marner* by George Eliot.

Please complete the following steps over the course of this summer:

1. Read *Silas Marner* by George Eliot.
2. Provide a minimum of fifty annotations as you read. An annotation is a brief note where you might place the observation of an idea, a question you have about the text, a stylistic or cultural observation, an inference, a connection you may have with the text, or any other thoughts that you have about the reading. An annotation is NOT a plot summary or paraphrase. You will not receive credit for summarizing or paraphrasing the text. Annotations will be completed on a google document and submitted in Google Classroom. Be sure to include page numbers for each annotation.
3. On a google document, compose six well-written paragraph responses with textual evidence to the following questions (6 paragraphs needed):
 - ★ How does the time and place in which the story is set contribute to the importance of the novel?
 - ★ What is the most difficult part of the story to connect with your own life?
 - ★ What is the easiest part of the story to connect with your own life?
 - ★ How do the issues and events in this work connect with your own time and place?
 - ★ What is one of the most interesting literary / stylistic techniques or devices used by George Eliot in the novel?
 - ★ What global issue is most relevant in this novel? Explain your response.

Due Date: The assignment is due on the first day of school.

***You will also be working on your HL essay over the summer. Review the feedback given and revise.**

- ★ All work is to be completed independently. Please do not consult any outside sources or work with another student. If you have questions or need help, please email Mrs. Unger (unger@salemnj.org) for assistance.

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Your assigned reading is *Selected Poems of Langston Hughes*

Please complete the following steps over the course of this summer:

1. Read the following poems from *Selected Poems of Langston Hughes*:
 - ★ *Afro-American Fragment* (3)
 - ★ *Aunt Sue's Stories* (6)
 - ★ *October 16* (10)
 - ★ *As I Grew Older* (11)
 - ★ *Dream Variations* (14)
 - ★ *Fire* (20)
 - ★ *The Weary Blues* (33-34)
 - ★ *Kid in the Park* (101)
 - ★ *Song for Billie Holiday* (102)
 - ★ *Trumpet Player* (114-115)
 - ★ *Black Maria* (118)
 - ★ *Life is Fine* (121-122)
 - ★ *Mama and Daughter* (132)
 - ★ *Crossing* (138)
 - ★ *Little Old Letter* (152)
 - ★ *Mother to Son* (187)
 - ★ *To Be Somebody* (189)
2. Annotate the assigned poems. Annotations will be completed on a google document and submitted in Google Classroom. Put the title of the poem and then write your annotations. Provide stanza and line numbers when necessary. Be sure to annotate for literary devices, as well.

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