

# AP LANGUAGE AND COMPOSITION

## SUMMER ASSIGNMENTS

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### ASSIGNMENT ONE

#### READ A NON-FICTION BOOK

Pick ANY grade level appropriate non-fiction book to read for the summer. On the back of this paper is a list of non-fiction books recommended by students who have previously taken AP Language and Composition. **You must bring in evidence of your reading.** This can come in any form: notes, an art piece, PowerPoint Presentation, a website, etc. Your evidence of reading must contain: an opinion of the book, a short summary, and connections you made to other parts of your life (personal, movies, other books, current events, etc). An example of evidence of reading and assessment criteria is available on google classroom.

### ASSIGNMENT TWO

#### NEWS ANALYSIS

Pay attention to the news this summer. You must make a top ten list of news events that happened over the summer around the world. Then a top five list for events in the United States and a top five list for events in Montgomery County. In total, you will identify 20 events. You may choose how to present these events (video, PowerPoint, poster, etc.), however you must include details about the events and why it is significant.

#### RECOMMENDED NEWS SOURCES

NEW YORK TIMES OPINION

DOCUMENTARIES (5-10 MINS EACH):

[HTTPS://WWW.NYTIMES.COM/VIDEO/OP-DOCS](https://www.nytimes.com/video/op-docs)

THE ATLANTIC:

[HTTPS://WWW.THEATLANTIC.COM/](https://www.theatlantic.com/)

CNN 10:

[HTTPS://WWW.CNN.COM/CNN10](https://www.cnn.com/cnn10)

#### Google Classroom

CODE: YGMWZT

MATERIALS AND A PLACE TO TURN IN YOUR WORK CAN BE FOUND IN GOOGLE CLASSROOM.

DUE: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>

**Recommended Non-Fiction Books by Previous AP Language Students:**

- **Just Mercy** by Bryan Stevenson
- **Hillbilly Elegy** by JD Vance
- **The New Jim Crow** by Michelle Alexander
- **A Long Way Gone** by Ishmael Beah
- **The Pact** by Sampson Davis, Rameck Hunt, and George Jenkins
- **My Beloved World** by Sonia Sotomayor
- **Unbroken** by Laura Hillenbrand
- **Enrique's Journey** by Sonia Nazario
- **Apollo 13** by James Lovell and Jeffrey Kulger
- **Girl Interrupted** by Susanna Kaysen
- **IraqiGirl: Diary of a Teenage Girl in Iraq** by IraqiGirl
- **Persepolis** by Marjane Satrapi
- **March** by John Lewis and Andrew Aydin
- **Bomb** by Steve Skeinkin
- **The Boys Who Challenged Hitler** by Phillip Hoose
- This I Believe Series
- **A Kim Jong-Il Production** by Paul Fischer
- **Born a Crime** by Trevor Noah
- **The Simpsons** by Matt Groening and Ray Richmond
- **El Deafo** by Cece Bell
- **Outliers** by Malcom Gladwell
- **Laughing at My Nightmare** by Shane Burcaw
- **Quiet** by Susan Cain
- **MindGym** by Gary Mack and David Casstevens
- **Shadow Divers** by Robert Kurson

Books can be checked out through:

- Rockville High School's Media Center - <http://rockvillehs.montgomeryschoolsmd.libguides.com/mediacenter>
- Montgomery County Public Libraries - <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library/>