

Summer Reading – AP[®] English Language and Composition

You may read the following books and do the assignments in any order.

Send TWO completed segments of the total assignment by July 25 to showard@cccruader.org; you may also submit a paper copy to the school office.

Bring the final segment to class on the first day of school.

You must have these books in the classroom during the first nine weeks of school.

Segment A: Read *Mystery and Manners* by Flannery O'Connor.

Complete a double entry reading log (dialectical journal or reading response journal) for this book. Divide your paper into 2 vertical columns, labeling the left column “Book” and the right column “My Response.” AS YOU READ, INCLUDE ENTRIES FROM THE ENTIRE WORK: **fill the LEFT column with quotations for reflection.** BE SURE TO INCLUDE PAGE NUMBERS. **In the RIGHT column, respond to the deeper meaning of the quote.** Your responses should be thoughtful and detailed and connected to the book. Do not just express your personal opinion. Think, question, and try to answer your questions.

Choose **10 quotes** from **throughout the book** for reflection.

Segment B: Read *Teaching a Stone to Talk* by Annie Dillard.

Write **2 one page responses** to ideas within the book. Note the pages that spurred your response. **Specifically interact with Dillard’s ideas; include quotes, discussion of literary techniques, challenging ideas. Think analytically.**

Segment C: Read *Soul Survivor* by Philip Yancey.

Write **2 one page responses** to ideas or individual lives within the book. Note the pages that spurred your response. **Specifically interact with the ideas Yancey presents; include quotes, discussion of literary techniques, challenging ideas. Think analytically.**

I prefer print copies of these books rather than electronic copies so that you will be able to write in the books.

RENTING books is fine also, but you will need to use post-it notes rather than highlighting and annotating in the books.

Please have these books by the start of the school year. If purchasing/renting these books is a hardship, please notify the school, and we will work out a solution for you to obtain the necessary books.