**AP Literature and Composition**

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Dear Students:

Congratulations on your choice to enroll in AP Literature and Composition this year. I am so excited to embark on this intellectual journey with you. A big part of your success on the AP exam at the end of the year depends on your ability to read critically and write effectively. The following is your summer reading assignment. I hope you enjoy the reading, find time to engage in discussion on Google Classroom, and learn something in the process. Please feel free to email me at holly.hollifield@spart1.org if you have any questions or concerns regarding any part of this assignment or if you would like additional suggestions for summer reading. Summer reading will count as ten percent of your grade for first nine weeks. Communication is key; if you know that you will be unable to post during a given week, make arrangements AHEAD of schedule to avoid point deductions.

1. **Required Reading for Summer Assignment**

*The Stranger* Albert Camus (novella)

“Where Are You Going, Where Have You Been?” Joyce Carol Oates (short story)

*The Kite Runner* Khaled Hosseini (novel)

We will also be incorporating discussion of Thomas Foster’s *How to Read Literature Like a Professor*  which you should already have from previous years of summer reading assignments.

1. **Google Classroom posts on the three texts**

I expect students to keep up with blog posts on Google Classroom. You will connect to the AP Language Summer Reading group with the code **ai1b76h** **.** Please follow the deadline schedule provided below. I will post a discussion question each week and you will respond by creating a document, typing your response, and then submitting it. Your posts will be due by 11:59 pm on the bolded dates below. I think this is a good way to have an active dialogue about the texts and to get to know each other before we meet in August. Your consistent, insightful comments will be compiled and graded as your summer reading assessment.

**Reading/Posting Schedule for Google Classroom:**
June 5-**11**: *The Stranger* Part 1 (chs. 1-6)

June 12-**18**: *The Stranger* Part 2 (chs. 1-5)
June 19-**25**: “Where are you going, Where have you been?” (short story – all)

July 3-**9**: *The Kite Runner* chapters 1-10

July 10-**16**: *The Kite Runner* chapters 11-19

July 17-**23**: *The Kite Runner* chapters 20-25

1. **Alternate Assignment**

If for some reason you cannot maintain posting on Google Classroom throughout the summer, you will turn in typed responses to each post on the first day of school.