

AP/Dual Credit Senior English Summer Reading

Your summer reading assignment for senior AP/Dual Credit English is The Lord of the Flies by William Golding. While you will have no formal assignment due when you return to school, We strongly encourage you to interact with the text by annotating the novel as you read. If you are unfamiliar with literary annotation, please use the following guidelines.

- 1) In the margins of the book, jot down your first impressions. Write any questions you have. What do you like or dislike in the text? What connections can you make?
 - 2) Look closely for motifs (repeated patterns). These include images, symbols, colors, certain words or phrases, etc. What meaning do they suggest? Also mark recurring themes.
 - 3) Make notes about each of the characters. What surprises you? Do they act as symbols in the story?
 - 4) Locate and interpret passages that seem particularly meaningful. How do they help to move the plot or support a theme, etc.?
 - 5) Make connections between the text and other literature you have read.
- Other ways to interact with the text include highlighting, using post-it notes, and marking pages with stick-on tabs.
 - Be prepared for a comprehension test over this novel after the first two weeks of class. You will be asked to write novel-based analysis essays as part of your test. Annotating your text will help you to prepare for this test.

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