

Dear Rising 12 AP English Students,

This summer all 12 AP students will be required to read the following three novels:

1. *The Awakening* by Kate Chopin
2. *Joe Turner's Come and Gone* by August Wilson
3. *The Stranger* by Albert Camus

***It is advised that you purchase the novels in either print or electronic form as you will be required to bring them to class each day for the first six weeks of school. All class activities and assignments for the month of September and part of October will be closely focused on these novels.

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You are required to complete a Major Works Data Sheet for each novel. Google “major works data sheet” to find a blank template for this graphic organizer. Print three copies of this document and fill one out for each novel to assist you in focusing on the important concepts within the literature. These completed data sheets should be brought to class each day for the first month of school to assist you with class discussions, analysis questions, group work, timed writings, etc. as we cover the summer reading novels.

Since AP Literature and Composition is a course that requires students to analyze a variety of literature as well as to articulate their understanding of it, these summer activities will prepare you for the scope of material to be covered in the upcoming year. Keep in mind that the quality of each assignment's response will determine its usefulness to you during class activities.

***Completion of these documents should be a result of your own observations from reading, not the result of a consultation with literary “help” websites.

Please don't hesitate to let me know if you have any questions about the summer reading. You may email me at tanya.france@nn.k12.va.us, as I will be checking my email frequently throughout the summer. Please be sure to identify yourself clearly in your message, especially if your email address does not obviously do so. I look forward to starting the school year with you in September!

Sincerely,

Mrs. France