Summer Assignments 2018

This school year, we will be reading literature from a wide variety of sources. To prepare for our intensive exploration of literature, you will be reading works that will provide you with a framework for understanding literary allusions.

Work for the summer will be posted on my class website www.KarlaScarff.com > English Classes> AP English. Please check the website for additional information periodically.

All work is due on the first day of school.

Format for all your essays and writing:

a. 12pt, Times New Roman, Double spaced, 1 inch margins
b. Include a strong hook, thesis, and conclusion with a clincher. If you are not familiar with these terms, please visit my website and do a search; all this information is available there.

Assignments:

2. Read Mythology by Edith Hamilton. The PDF is on my website.
3. As you read the book, maintain a dialectical journal with at least 25 entries. Instructions for this type of journal are on the class website.
4. Write a five paragraph essay to the following prompt: What are some common themes and archetypes found in Greek/Roman literature? Why is it important to be familiar with Greek and Roman myths when studying Western literature?
   a. Include at least five quotes from Mythology by Edith Hamilton using MLA format. If you are not sure how to do this, research it. I will post some information on MLA format on the website by mid July.
5. Write an essay to the following prompt. Describe your reading background. What are some of your favorite books, poems, plays, etc? What are your reading habits—how often do you read? In what language?
   • Research the concept of the “Hero’s Journey” and write an essay explaining the importance of understanding the framework for the “Hero’s Journey” and describing the different stages of the journey. I have provided a few resources on the class website to help you with the concept, including the book The Hero with A Thousand Masks by Joseph Conrad. Skim through the book to obtain information on what a hero’s journey is and the different stages of it. Use the same format