

AP English IV Summer Reading Assignment and Rubric

Welcome to AP English IV. Hopefully you will have a fun and enjoyable summer break, but to keep your minds sharp and to make sure you are prepared for the hard work that is ahead of you with this fun but challenging class, a summer assignment is being assigned to you.

You will need to purchase the book *Frankenstein* by Mary Shelly. You will need to read and annotate the book to prepare for the two-page essay which will answer this prompt: “*What literary devices are prevalent throughout the book? How are symbolism, irony, point of view, and foreshadowing (and any others you may notice) used to make this a compelling story?*”

In your answer to the prompt you must cite two outside sources to support your opinion and you must make some reference to the role the narrator plays in the saga of *Frankenstein*. The essay must be two typed pages, using 12-point Times New Roman font. You must have a cover sheet that includes your name, the name of this class (AP English IV), the title of your paper, and the date that you are submitting your paper. The essay will be due on Friday, Aug. 23rd at the start of the class period and must be MLA formatted. The paper must be printed out before you arrive to class that day. ***The paper will be worth a test grade.***

The rubric for the paper breaks down like this:

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| Two typed pages = | 10 points |
| Cover sheet = | 10 points |
| MLA Formatted = | 10 points |
| Printed out and handed in on time = | 10 points |
| Works Cited Page = | 10 points |
| Show proof of annotations = | 10 points |
| Correct font size and type = | 10 points |
| Completed paper with few errors | |
| <u>That concisely answers the prompt =</u> | <u>30 points</u> |
| Total = | 100 points |

Annotation Symbols for Close Reading

Underline or highlight the major points.

Circle keywords or phrases that are confusing or unknown to you.

Use a question mark (?) for questions that you have during the reading. Be sure to write your question.

Use an exclamation mark (!) for things that surprise you, and briefly note what it was that caught your attention.

Draw an arrow when you make a connection to something inside the text, or to an idea or experience outside the text. Briefly note your connections.

Mark EX when the author provides an example.

Numerate arguments, important ideas, or key details and write words or phrases that restate them.

Draw a box around words you don't understand, then look them up and provide a definition on the side of the page.

Hopefully, this has been some help to you. You will see that Frankenstein is not an intriguing book and is an intense read. Enjoy your summer and we will see you soon.

Thank You,

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