AP Literature Independent Novel Projects

Novel Project Due: **April 7** Book Selection Due: **January 28**

For this assignment, you will select a novel from the AP Recommended Reading List. You cannot select a book that we will be reading in class. Please select a book you have never read before. Follow the “Independent Novel Project Book Selection” link on the class blog to fill in your book selection before 11:59pm January 28.

1. You will divide your book into **five sections**. For each section, you will complete one Reader Response. Each Reader Response should take the following form:

**Typed, 12-point font, Times New Roman, MLA format**

1. Provide a **brief** **summary** of the section of the novel. The summary’s form can be outline (bullet points), phrases, or prose (complete sentences). What are the literal events/incidents of this narrative? Try to comment on the point of view (voice, speaker, perspective). Who is telling the story? What is his or her point of view? Why is this story being told?
2. Generate **three questions** that are either interpretive or evaluative. No factual questions.
   1. **Factual**: right there on the page, you can find and recite the answer, what the author is saying
   2. **Interpretive**: reading between the lines, more than one possible answer, what we think the author is saying/meaning
   3. **Evaluative**: judging and evaluating the validity of a concept or point, the level of right or wrong, what we think about what the author is saying
3. Copy one significant **quotation**. Include page number (MLA format). Then record speaker/narrator. This could be a line you think is interesting, confusing, beautiful, funny, or crucial to the story. In at least three sentences, please **explain** why you chose that quote.
4. After reading the novel, please generate a thoughtful **essay prompt** and **thesis statement** answering your prompt.
5. After completing the above two steps, fill out an **AP Literature Review Study Guide** for your novel.