

AP Literature and Composition Summer Reading Assignment

Plainfield Public School District

REQUIRED TEXTS

1. ***One Hundred Years of Solitude*** by Gabriel Garcia Marquez
OR
Song of Solomon by Toni Morrison
2. **Poetry** (poet of your choice) and biographical information on the poet

WRITING ASSIGNMENTS

For Text #1: (See example on following page.)

Keep a Dual Entry Journal for both books. Record a set of journal entries after every three chapters. Journal entries must include:

- Chapter numbers/names
- Summary and response
- Three quotations with page numbers and response
- Three vocabulary words with page numbers and definitions

For Text #2:

Research the poet you have selected and read at least five of his/her poems. Look up words that you do not understand, writing down the words and their definitions.

Write a first-person commentary in response to each poem. Each response should be three-quarters to one handwritten page, or one-quarter to one-half word-processed page, and may include:

- the image you get from the poem
- the tone or mood that the poem conveys
- the message (if there is one)
- what you like and/or dislike about the poem

TAKE NOTE:

- Journals and essays will be collected the first week of school.
- Journals will receive a formal grade based on 100% scale.
- Essays will also receive a formal grade based on 50% scale
- Do not use summaries, etc. obtained from websites. All work is to be your original writing.