# **AP Literature**

### Summer Homework?

- 1. Sadly, no summer homework. It is with a heavy heart that we break that news.
- 2. However, if so inclined, feel free to read a book...for fun.

#### What can you expect?

- 1. In AP Literature, we emphasize depth rather than quantity.
- 2. You will never be required to read more than one book at a time.
- 3. AP Literature accommodates any writing level, offering the opportunity for all students to grow.
- 4. AP Literature rewards creativity of thought and personal insight into the literature.

### What Literature will you read?

a) Poetry & short stories throughout the year

- b) 5 longer works such as
  - 1. Hamlet
  - 2. Candide
  - 3. The Importance of Being Earnest
  - 4. Jane Eyre
  - 5. Frankenstein

## Why AP Literature?

- 1. Enables one to empathize with other people and cultures drastically different from one's own
- 2. Enables one to develop inference, the skill of hearing and seeing what isn't said
- 3. Enables one to navigate ambiguity because the world is messy
- 4. Enables one to explore ethical and moral complexities
- 5. Enables one to magnify the power of one's voice, ideas, and perspective

## What if I have questions?

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