

Summer Reading  
English 1 Advanced  
Summer 2018

Each student entering Advanced English 1 will be required to read one novel over the summer. Students will also read "Writing About Literature: A Portable Guide" to understand the expectations for reading and writing in Advanced English 1.

Step #1: Read a novel (fiction) that you will enjoy. The novel should be appropriate for your reading level and interests. This novel must be worthy of examination. You will be required to write a multi-paragraph analysis of your novel. Refer to the [Top 100 Books to Read Before College](#) if you need assistance in choosing an appropriate novel.

Step #2: Read "Writing About Literature: A Portable Guide" to prepare for your multi-paragraph analysis. Use this text to guide you through your literary analysis. [Writing About Literature: A Portable Guide](#)

Step #3: Write a multi-paragraph literary analysis essay. A literary analysis is an argumentative analysis about a literary work. Use MLA format when writing your literary analysis. Refer to the [MLA sample paper](#) if you need assistance with MLA format.

Step #4: Turn in a printed copy of your essay to your English 1 Advanced instructor on the first day of school.

Good Luck and Have Fun!!

When selecting a book that's a good fit for reading, use the "I PICK" process to help.

- **Purpose:** Why do I want to read this book? What's my purpose for reading (information, enjoyment, certain genre or author)?
- **Interest:** Does this book/topic interest me? What's my prior knowledge on this topic, author or genre?
- **Comprehension:** Do I understand what I am reading? Do I have a sense of the story as I read the back cover and flip through a few pages? Do I understand the book as I start reading?
- **Knowledge:** Do I know and understand most of the words that I am reading?