

Summer Literature Assignment Grades 7 (going in 8th)

Read *To Kill A Mockingbird* by Harper Lee (it is best to purchase it for annotating purposes)

Write a short essay of about 500 words on **one** of the following prompts:

1. Analyze the relationship between Boo Radley and the children. How does this relationship change throughout the book? What are the causes of the developments in this relationship?
2. Trace Boo Radley's development from monster to savior. How does Scout's understanding of Boo develop? What lessons does Boo teach Scout?

Make sure your essay is unified by a thesis.

Make sure you save time to edit to eliminate surface errors.

Your essay will be graded on the following categories: FOCUS (unity), DEVELOPMENT (use specific examples from the text to support your thesis), ORGANIZATION (correct paragraphing and use of transitions where necessary, and CORRECTNESS (eliminate surface errors in grammar, punctuation, spelling etc).

This assignment will be due Friday of the first week of school (5 points per day late deducted).

This is worth 10% of the first marking period grade.