Dear AP Students,

In preparation for next fall, please note the requirements for summer reading:

- First, please read *How to Read Literature Like a Professor for Kids: A Lively and Entertaining Guide to Reading Between the Lines* by Thomas C. Foster. Complete the reading by July 15th.
  
  o Please *keep a journal* for your reading by first **summarizing** the concepts presented in each chapter and then **making a one-paragraph connection** (~ 5 sentences) to any piece of film, music, television, or literature you have previously read/seen/heard. **Do this for each chapter.** (You may use the same work more than once.)
    
    - *How to Read Literature Like a Professor for Kids*, Thomas C. Foster, **Publisher:** Harper Perennial; 1 edition (February 18, 2003), **ISBN-13:** 9780062200853

- Then, please read *Of Mice and Men* and *The Awakening*.

  o Continue your journaling for both of these works. In these entries, **apply** what you have learned from Foster’s text by making **specific** references to both Foster and the novels. Also, feel free to add any questions, ideas, connections, etc. to these entries.

    - *Of Mice and Men*, John Steinbeck, **Publisher:** Penguin Books, **ISBN-10:** 0140177396, **ISBN-13:** 978-0749717100
    - *The Awakening*, Kate Chopin, **Publisher:** Barnes & Noble Classics, **ISBN-10:** 1593080018, **ISBN-13:** 978-1593080013

Journals will be collected as part of the course work in the fall. In addition, part of the first week of class will include seminars on *both of these works*—during which you will need to demonstrate your ability to apply Foster.

To “foster” summer communication and confirm your understanding of the requirements and responsibilities for this project, please

2. By July 7th, start a discussion regarding how, when, where you have seen the principles discussed in Foster’s work in action in movies, music, television, or literature.
3. By July 28th, finish *Of Mice and Men* and respond to the introductory topic for *Of Mice and Men*.
4. Begin reading *The Awakening* by the start of August, and complete your journals prior to the start of class.

Please join Google Classroom by May 24th. See me if you have any questions, comments, concerns, conundrums, etc.