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AP Language and Composition Summer Reading Assignment (2024-2025)

Welcome to AP Language and Composition! I am excited to challenge and learn from each other this year. This is a writing-centered course that aims to develop the written communication skills that are foundational to your college experience and vital to functioning successfully in contemporary society.

I hope you find the summer reading enjoyable and thought provoking as it will introduce you to the type of reading and expectations you will experience this year. It is vital and required that you complete all parts of the summer reading assignment. Your assignment will be submitted to Turnitin at the beginning of class on the first day of school. Keep in mind that I DO NOT accept late work.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me. I hope you have a great summer!

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ASSIGNMENT

First, please purchase and read a copy of *The Reason for God* by Timothy Keller (ISBN: 978-1594483493).

While reading *The Reason for God* by Timothy Keller, you are required to fill out the attached guided annotation chart. **You will type and submit a digital copy of this chart to Turnitin on the first day of school**. I will **NOT** accept a physical copy.

Think of annotating in terms of having a conversation with the author in real time. It improves your understanding, increases what you remember, and prepares you to participate in classroom discussion. **The guided annotation chart will be worth 25 points in your assignment category**.

In addition to annotating the text, you will have a timed writing over *The Reason for God* by Timothy Keller within the first two weeks of school. We will discuss the exact date on the first day of school. **The timed** writing will be worth 25 points in your writing category.

GUIDED ANNOTATION CHART

Directions: Complete the following chart. Do **NOT** reuse quotes.

CHAPTER 1	
Topic : How can there be just one true r	eligion?
Annotation	Quote from the Text
Main Idea	Quote: Page Number:
Something New, Interesting, or Surprising	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 50 words):
Text to Self Choose one of the following: 1. What personal memory or experience did this quote trigger? 2. What personal values or beliefs did this quote reinforce or challenge? 3. What new insights, ideas, or thoughts of my own were stimulated by this quote?	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 50 words):
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Text to World Explain a connection from this quote to an example from history, pop culture, sports, technology, or a current event. Be specific. Reflection How have these annotations helped you to answer the essential question for this chapter? Elaborate on your own answer to the essential question.	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 50 words): Explanation (at least 150 words):

CHAPTER 2	
Essential Question: How could a good God allow suffering?	
Annotation	Quote from the Text
Main Idea	Quote: Page Number:

Something New, Interesting, or Surprising	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 50 words):
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culture, sports, technology, or a	
current event. Be specific.	
Reflection	Explanation (at least 150 words):
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for this chapter? Elaborate on your	
own answer to the essential	
question.	

CHAPTER 3	
Essential Question: Is Christianity a straitjacket?	
Annotation	Quote from the Text
Main Idea	Quote: Page Number:
Something New, Interesting, or Surprising	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 50 words):
Text to Self Choose one of the following:	Quote: Page Number:
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CHAPTER 4		
Essential Question: Is the church respo	Essential Question: Is the church responsible for so much injustice?	
Annotation	Quote from the Text	
Main Idea	Quote: Page Number:	
Something New, Interesting, or Surprising	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 50 words):	
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current event. Be specific.	
Reflection	Explanation (at least 150 words):
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for this chapter? Elaborate on your	
own answer to the essential	
question.	

CHAPTER 5	
Essential Question: How can a loving G	God send people to hell?
Annotation	Quote from the Text
Main Idea	Quote: Page Number:
Something New, Interesting, or Surprising	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 50 words):
Text to Self Choose one of the following: 1. What personal memory or experience did this quote trigger? 2. What personal values or beliefs did this quote reinforce or challenge? 3. What new insights, ideas, or thoughts of my own were stimulated by this quote?	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 50 words):
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Reflection How have these annotations helped you to answer the essential question for this chapter? Elaborate on your own answer to the essential question.	Explanation (at least 150 words):

CHAPTER 6

Essential Question: Has science dispro-	Essential Question: Has science disproved Christianity?		
Annotation	Quote from the Text		
Main Idea	Quote: Page Number:		
Something New, Interesting, or Surprising	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 50 words):		
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CHAPTER 7	
Essential Question: Can you take the Bible literally?	
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Main Idea	Page Number:
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Something New, Interesting, or	Page Number:
Surprising	Explanation (at least 50 words):
Text to Self	Quote:
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What personal memory or experience did this quote trigger?	Explanation (at least 50 words):
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CHAPTERS 8	
Essential Question: Can we know that	God exists?
Annotation	Quote from the Text
Main Idea	Quote: Page Number:
Something New, Interesting, or Surprising	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 50 words):
Text to Self Choose one of the following: 1. What personal memory or experience did this quote trigger? 2. What personal values or beliefs did this quote reinforce or challenge? 3. What new insights, ideas, or thoughts of my own were stimulated by this quote?	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 50 words):
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Reflection	Explanation (at least 150 words):
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for this chapter? Elaborate on your	
own answer to the essential	
question.	

CHAPTERS 9	
Essential Question: Do human beings h	nave a moral obligation?
Annotation	Quote from the Text
Main Idea	Quote: Page Number:
Something New, Interesting, or Surprising	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 50 words):
Text to Self Choose one of the following: 1. What personal memory or experience did this quote trigger? 2. What personal values or beliefs did this quote reinforce or challenge? 3. What new insights, ideas, or thoughts of my own were stimulated by this quote?	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 50 words):
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CHAPTER 10	
Essential Question: What is the proble	m of sin?
Annotation	Quote from the Text
Main Idea	Quote: Page Number:
Something New, Interesting, or Surprising	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 50 words):
Text to Self Choose one of the following: 1. What personal memory or experience did this quote trigger? 2. What personal values or beliefs did this quote reinforce or challenge? 3. What new insights, ideas, or thoughts of my own were stimulated by this quote?	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 50 words):
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Reflection How have these annotations helped you to answer the essential question for this chapter? Elaborate on your own answer to the essential question.	Explanation (at least 150 words):

CHAPTER 11		
Essential Question: What is the Gospel?		
Annotation Quote from the Text		
Main Idea	Quote: Page Number:	
Something New, Interesting, or	Quote:	
Surprising	Page Number:	

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Reflection How have these annotations helped you to answer the essential question for this chapter? Elaborate on your own answer to the essential question.	Explanation (at least 150 words):

CHAPTER 12		
Essential Question: Why did Jesus have	Essential Question: Why did Jesus have to die?	
Annotation	Quote from the Text	
	Quote:	
Main Idea	Page Number:	
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Something New, Interesting, or	Page Number:	
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CHAPTER 13	CHAPTER 13	
Essential Question: Did Jesus rise from	the dead?	
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CHAPTER 14	
Essential Question: What is the dance	of God?
Annotation	Quote from the Text
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Something New, Interesting, or Surprising	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 50 words):
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EPILOGUE	
Essential Question : Where do we go from here?	

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