**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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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.

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| **CHAPTER 1** |
| **Topic**: How can there be just one true religion? |
| **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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| **CHAPTER 2** |
| **Essential Question**: How could a good God allow suffering? |
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| **CHAPTER 3** |
| **Essential Question**: Is Christianity a straitjacket? |
| **Annotation** | **Quote from the Text** |
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| **CHAPTER 4** |
| **Essential Question**: Is the church responsible for so much injustice? |
| **Annotation** | **Quote from the Text** |
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| **CHAPTER 5** |
| **Essential Question**: How can a loving God send people to hell? |
| **Annotation** | **Quote from the Text** |
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| **CHAPTER 6** |
| **Essential Question**: Has science disproved Christianity? |
| **Annotation** | **Quote from the Text** |
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| **CHAPTER 7** |
| **Essential Question**: Can you take the Bible literally? |
| **Annotation** | **Quote from the Text** |
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| **CHAPTERS 8** |
| **Essential Question**: Can we know that God exists? |
| **Annotation** | **Quote from the Text** |
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| **CHAPTERS 9** |
| **Essential Question**: Do human beings have a moral obligation? |
| **Annotation** | **Quote from the Text** |
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| **CHAPTER 10** |
| **Essential Question**: What is the problem of sin? |
| **Annotation** | **Quote from the Text** |
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| **CHAPTER 11** |
| **Essential Question**: What is the Gospel? |
| **Annotation** | **Quote from the Text** |
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| **CHAPTER 12** |
| **Essential Question**: Why did Jesus have to die? |
| **Annotation** | **Quote from the Text** |
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| **CHAPTER 13** |
| **Essential Question**: Did Jesus rise from the dead? |
| **Annotation** | **Quote from the Text** |
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| **CHAPTER 14** |
| **Essential Question**: What is the dance of God? |
| **Annotation** | **Quote from the Text** |
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| **EPILOGUE** |
| **Essential Question**: Where do we go from here? |
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