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Summer Reading for AP Literature and Composition
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Summer work is due by the first day of class. All work needs to be in your google drive. The first day of school we will upload all work to Google Classroom. No late summer assignments will be accepted.

How to Read Literature Like a Professor,
Thomas C. Foster (any edition)

--A lively and entertaining introduction to literature and literary basics, including symbols, themes, and contexts--that shows you how to make your everyday reading experience more rewarding and enjoyable.

Read Chapters 1-10 ONLY

Take notes in a Composition book that you will use for the 1st semester, or use the attached table. You do not need to use complete sentences or paragraphs. Just bullet points of the most important points of the chapters.

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Here is a link to the pdf version, you can also get used versions at Half Price Books, and Amazon.
<https://mseffie.com/assignments/professor/How%20to%20Read%20Literature%20like%20a%20Professor%202nd.pdf>

The Kite Runner, by Khaled Hosseini

The unforgettable, heartbreaking story of the unlikely friendship between a wealthy boy and the son of his father's servant, *The Kite Runner* is a beautifully crafted novel set in a country that is in the process of being destroyed. It is about the power of reading, the price of betrayal, and the possibility of redemption; and an exploration of the power of fathers over sons—their love, their sacrifices, their lies.

A sweeping story of family, love, and friendship told against the devastating backdrop of the history of Afghanistan over the last thirty years.

The Importance of Being Earnest, Oscar Wilde

A comedy, the work mocks the culture and manners of Victorian society, relying on satire and a comic resolution to make that mockery more palatable to viewers. The subtitle of the play, *A Trivial Comedy for Serious People*, aptly captures Wilde's tongue-in-cheek take on the cultural milieu to which he was subject.

Written Response For *The Kite Runner*:

Write about the following prompt concerning the topic of education, using the text as evidence, as well as personal experience. One page typed and shared in google docs to hansenb@cpsboe.k12.oh.us

Baba believes it's possible to confuse school with education. In his opinion, being educated involves more than what teachers, especially the teachers at Amir's school, tell students. To some people, this may be true, but others may have a different view. What does it mean to be truly "educated"? Does education mean only that one can recite historical dates or scenes from Shakespeare? Can someone who has traveled the world and has had a wide variety of life experiences be considered educated, even if he or she has never attended school?

Written Response for *The Importance of Being Earnest*

Define the following terms: Satire, Exaggeration, Pun, Understatement, Hyperbole. Identify at least three scenes that were comic, and explain what term created the humor.



Materials needed for the first day of school:

- 1 pocket folder for AP LIT
- 1 pocket folder for College Applications
- 1 pack of white lined 4x6 note cards
- 1 pack of lined college ruled paper
- 1 container of clorox wipes/kleenex

How to Read Literature Like a Professor, by Thomas Foster

Sample Chart, or guide for Composition Book Notes

Chapter Title (write chapter name in lines below, different editions may have different titles, that's ok.)	• What you learned (3 bullet points)
Chapter 1	
Chapter 2	
Chapter 3	
Chapter 4	
Chapter 5	
Chapter 6	
Chapter 7	
Chapter 8	
Chapter 9	
Chapter 10	