

English 10 Honors - Summer Assignments

With the exception of Nicenet responses, all work is due September 7, 2011. Nicenet work must be completed by August 30.

Part I: Create a Nicenet account. (5 points)

Email Mrs. Porter at pporter@hpregonal.org between June 28 and July 28 to receive the password and directions to create a Nicenet account.

Part II: Reading assignment (20 points)

Please read *Of Mice and Men* by John Steinbeck. As you read, please keep a journal that addresses your reaction to the text. If you are intrigued or taken aback by certain statements or attracted to a particular character or issue, write your responses. You should have at least five entries.

You also need to write down at least five striking words, images, phrases, or details. Speculate about them. Why did the author choose them? What do they add to the story?

Always use proper MLA format. Please make sure that your handwriting is legible.

Part III: Literary Devices (10 points)

There will be a quiz on the following literary devices when you return. Be able to identify the following literary devices found in *Of Mice and Men*:

- symbol,
- simile,
- metaphor,
- allusion,
- motif,
- alliteration,
- foreshadowing, and
- imagery.

Part IV: Online Discussion (5 points)

After you create a Nicenet account, be sure to read my entry and respond appropriately. Your written response is due by August 30. Use proper English when you write.

Part V: Socratic Seminar (10 points)

Let's tie this all together on Wednesday, September 7.

Finally, the basic requirements for class are:

- type all work using Times New Roman 12;
- include a proper heading using MLA format;
- document all sources;
- submit work at the start of class; and
- all work must be original.

Enjoy your summer! If you have any questions, I can be reached at pporter@hpregonal.org.