

AP Language and Composition Summer Assignment

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Welcome to AP English Language and Composition! AP Lang is unlike any English class you have ever taken in that it focuses on nonfiction text and rhetoric - the choices a writer makes to deliver a message successfully. AP Lang is about being critical thinkers and writers and being aware of the world around us. Additionally, argument is at the heart of the AP Language course. To be successful in this class, it is crucial that you understand the components of a great argument so that you are able to craft your own and analyze someone else's argument. **Your summer work will consist of 2 assignments:**

ASSIGNMENT #1: Article Rhetorical Analysis

This assignment will be due on the following dates: June 16, June 30, July 14, and July 28th at 11:59 P.M.

You will read a different article for each of the due dates:

- June 16th: "Keri Strug Shouldn't Have Been Forced To Do That Vault"
- June 30th: "My College Students Are Not OK"
- July 14th: "I Want a Wife"
- July 28th: "August, You Are a Garbage Month"

On Google Classroom, you will find a template posted for each article. Answer the questions and turn in by the due date. You can, of course, submit earlier if you will be on vacation or have another conflict! I will provide feedback as needed to help you improve before your next submission. These 4 submissions will be combined for a test grade when we start school. **A large portion of the AP exam requires you to analyze the choices an author made and the impact those choices have on the audience, so doing this assignment well will be of immeasurable value to you throughout the year!**

ASSIGNMENT #2: Rhetorical Devices/Terms

Familiarize yourself with the list of AP terms that you will reference throughout the year, which can be found on this Quizlet link:

<https://quizlet.com/306601588/ap-lang-rhetorical-devices-flash-cards/>

These terms have also been posted on our Google Classroom for your convenience. We will take a quiz over these terms on Tuesday, August 15th.