

Advanced Academics Summer Reading 2021

All incoming AP LIT students must read the required title.

The Trial by Franz Kafka

Due August 23, 2021

Respond to the following, meeting the minimum length requirement noted, including quotes from the book for each section. After each quote included please provide a page number in parenthesis. Please compose your answers on a google doc, using Arial or Times New Roman 12 point font. Document should be double-spaced and have page numbers. Number each section.

1. SUMMARY (at least half a page)

Summarize the keys events from the beginning, middle, and end of the book.

2. CHARACTER QUESTION (at least a page)

Describe K. Who was he and what was his life prior to being seized? What does his reaction and endurance of his traumatic circumstances reveal about him?

3. THEME QUESTION (at least a page)

Write about the book's main idea and/or theme. What is it? Is there more than one?

4. PARALLELS (at least a page)

Relate an event from the book to something in history or current events. What are the specific parallels between the events of the novel and that historic event(s)?

5. Give a CRITICAL response to the book. (at least a page)

What conclusions about life and human nature does the novel put forth? What outlook on life is propounded by this work? What is your response to these ideas?

6. Create a PLOT DIAGRAM for the book. Use the diagram found at this link:

https://docs.google.com/drawings/d/1n843CQtxubYbPUN1tvxV3yf1rV3ou_PnR2TCNjhH80/edit

Be sure you include elements from all parts and the climax of the book.