

English 10 Honors Summer Assignment

2011-2012

Play

Julius Caesar William Shakespeare

Merchant of Venice William Shakespeare

Novel

The Kite Runner Khaled Hosseini

The Namesake Jhumpa Lahiri

Choose **ONE** play and **ONE** novel listed above to complete the following assignment. Students are responsible to purchase or procure the reading selections on their own (they will not be provided).

After reading, complete the following 3 part Assignment:

A. Choose one character from each reading and create a Character Profile

- 5 quotes for each of the five types of indirect characterization (listed below). Each quote needs to be labeled with what character trait it shows and the page number it was found on.
 - Appearance (novel only)
 - Inner Thoughts (would be a soliloquy/aside in play)
 - Dialogue
 - Actions
 - Effects those actions have on other characters

EXAMPLE: Of Mice and Men John Steinbeck

Character: George

Appearance: "The first man was small and quick, dark of face, with restless eyes and sharp, strong features." (Steinbeck 2)

Trait: George is alert and perceptive.

Inner Thought: "George thought to himself *I wish I was alone because life would be so much easier.*" (Steinbeck 3)

Trait: George is introverted.

Dialogue: "The small man leaned over and shook him by the shoulder. 'Lennie. You gonna be sick like you was last night.'" (Steinbeck 3)

Trait: George is caring.

Actions: "George lay where he was and whistled softly to himself." (Steinbeck 3)

Trait: George is care-free and relaxed.

Effects: "Lennie, who had been watching, imitated George exactly." (Steinbeck 4).

Trait: George is influential and seems to be the leader.

- B. Identify 20 **different** literary devices. Needs to be labeled for which device it is, have quote or passage where it is found, and must include a page number. Theme **must** be included as one of the 20 for each reading selection.

EXAMPLE: Of Mice and Men John Steinbeck

Imagery: “On the sandy bank under the trees the leaves lie deep and so crisp that a lizard makes a great skittering if he runs among them.” (Steinbeck 1)

- C. For each of the following questions, write/type a 300 word response. Quotes from the two readings will be used to help support your responses. If typed, make it in MLA format (double-spaced, font 12 Times New Roman, etc.... For additional help refer to <http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/01/>.)
1. What is the similar theme between the play and novel that you read? (Ex: What truths about human nature are revealed? What opinion about these truths does the author hold?, etc....)
 2. Summarize the major plot points in chronological order from the play you read. Be sure to include conflict (and what type it is/who it is between), climax, and denouement.
 3. Write a personal response for both readings. Be sure to include what you liked/disliked, and whether you would recommend it to another and your reasons.

All together, you should be turning in 25 character-specific quotes per book, 20 literary device examples per book, and 3 300 word s responses. All of this will be due in class on **Friday, August 12**. There will be no exceptions to this due date.

For questions, please see Mr. Goeschl in room 139 or Ms. Allen in room 102. Over the summer you can email us at jgoeschl@socal.rr.com or smallen@avhsd.org. If emailing us, please be specific with what you need help with and please include your name.