

Summer Reading for ENG II H

The Lord of the Flies by William Golding

This year in English II H, we will focus a lot more on the background of a novel and how that information contributes to our understanding and comprehension of the novel. You will be reading *The Lord of the Flies* as your summer novel.

The first thing you must do is to research information on the Cold War era. Please write a two-three paged (MLA format only) detailed analysis on life during the Cold War. How did this time in history impact America, England, the Soviet Union, etc? Why was it called the “Cold War”? What were the fears that people had during this time?

Next, you will read the novel. Give a detailed summary (MLA format only) of chapters 1 - 6. In your summary, describe how you interpret and understand information from the Cold War. Also, include information as to how the author uses “justice” in the first part of the novel. Then, give a detailed summary (MLA format only) of chapters 7 - 12. In your summary, describe how you interpret and understand the shift in justice being used by the author. How has justice now changed on the island? Why did it change? How did it change? What does justice look like at the end of the novel? Why does Ralph cry at the end of the novel? Lastly, describe why the novel is titled *The Lord of the Flies*. What was the author teaching his readers by using this title? All of these elements should take up at least two-three pages.

This assignment will be due on Google classroom by Friday, August 11. More explanation will be given on the first day of school (Wednesday, August 9th) about how and where to turn this assignment into Google classroom.