



Advanced Placement Language 2008 Summer Reading Assignment

Dear 12th graders:

May 2008

Advanced Placement English Language is going to be somewhat of an adventure for all of us this year. As most of you know, I have not been trained to teach this class, so I am a little unsure of what books would be good for you to read. I have chosen *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini as our piece of fiction because I know you would be depressed if you did not to have a book to read in June and because it is a book that should generate some interesting discussions. Because you are seniors, I expect that you have phenomenal close-reading skills and that you will take careful notes without being prompted. You need to get a notebook for class this summer, so I expect to see the first few pages filled in with thoughtful reading notes on this novel in August. In case you are uncertain of what I expect, I would like to see reactions to characters and their words and actions as well as some thoughtful jotting about themes and symbols. I will read these notes and give you a grade.

I will be attending the AP Language training in June, so by July 1st, I will make sure the rest of your assignment is posted on the Crossroads College Prep website under the summer reading link.