

**Summer Coursework**  
**AP Literature and Composition**  
**Mrs. Connors**  
**Summer of 2021**

**Overview:**

Hull High School is committed to preparing students taking AP Literature and Composition for success in college and future careers. Reading, research, and writing must be practiced throughout the year, including the summer, in order to ensure growth and improvement. To that end, all HHS AP Literature students are required to read three summer reading texts and prepare a finalized draft of two college essays. The first should be your core essay that you will share with the majority of your colleges. The second is a supplement from one college of your choosing.

\*\*\*Keep in mind that the college essay is a personal narrative all about YOU. Therefore, remember that the essay should provide insight into who you are. The supplemental essay is usually a place for you to show the college/university what you know about them and your interest in their school or program. These tend to focus more on your fit as a student at the school. Lastly, some colleges/universities may request multiple supplemental essays. Make a checklist and start early!

**Required Reading:**

- *Silas Marner*- George Eliot
- *Dubliners*- James Joyce
- *Ethan Frome*- Edith Wharton

**Required Written Work (Due Monday, September 6th):**

- 550-650 words for the college essay
- One supplemental essay from a college of your choice

**Required Research Essay for Term 1 (Due at the end of September- Date TBA):**

- 5-6 page essay
- Minimum of five outside sources
- MLA format
- Works Cited (Do not use a citation generator!)

**AP Literature 2021-2022 Google Classroom:**

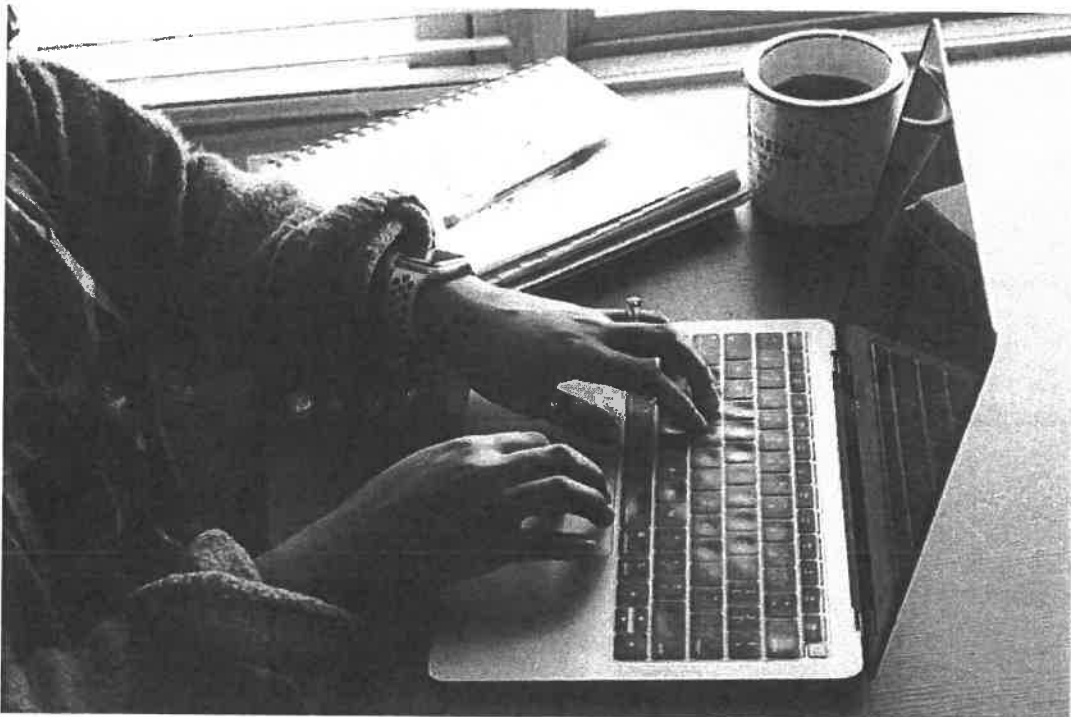
- Invite Link: <https://classroom.google.com/c/MzU2NzM0Njc0NzE0?cjc=ne6e5bh>
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# 2021–2022 Common App Essay Prompts



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The Common App essay prompts will remain the same for 2021–2022 with one exception. We will retire the seldom used option about solving a problem and replace it with the following:

***Reflect on something that someone has done for you that has made you happy or thankful in a surprising way. How has this gratitude affected or motivated you?***

We will also retain the [optional COVID-19](#) question within the Additional Information section.

The new prompt is inspired by scientific research on [gratitude](#) and [kindness](#), specifically the benefits of writing about the positive influence of other people in our lives.

This mindset resonates with Common App President & CEO Jenny Rickard. “Particularly at this challenging time, we can help students think about something positive and heartfelt in their lives,” she explains. “And we can do it explicitly.”