

Pre-AP I Summer Work Expectations

- 1) For this summer assignment, you must handwrite all notes in blue or black pen and type your paragraphs. Always skip lines between notes or between answers to questions. Please label the first page of your paper in MLA format as shown below. Your last name and page number goes in upper right of every page. Please refer to the Manta Writing Handbook on my website or in the media center tab.

Formatting the First Page of Your Paper

- Do not make a title page for your paper unless specifically requested.
- In the upper left-hand corner of the first page, list your name, your instructor's name, the course, and the date. Again, be sure to use double-spaced text.
- Double space again and center the title. Do not bold, underline, italicize, or place your title in quotation marks; write the title in Title Case (standard capitalization), not in all capital letters.
- Use quotation marks for poems, short stories, and essays and italics for novels and plays when referring to other works in your title, just as you would in your text: *Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas* as *Morality Play* or *Human Weariness* in "After Apple Picking"
- Double space between the title and the first line of the text.
- Create a header in the upper right-hand corner that includes your last name, followed by a space with a page number; number all pages consecutively with Arabic numerals (1, 2, 3, 4, etc.), one-half inch from the top and flush with the right margin.



- 2) Be sure to put quotation marks around the excerpts from the text that you use as support in your answers, and put the page number only or LOC number from a Kindle in the parentheses after the quote. Sample of embedding a quote from the text. Notice too that there is a context (what is going on in the work) set before the quote, and analysis after the quote:

EX: Abigail threatens her friends that if they say a word about her drinking a charm to kill Goody Proctor, she will seek revenge by making them wish they had “never seen the sun go down” (122). The abrupt change from innocent teenager to...

- 3) Titles of books are **underlined when handwritten** and **italicized when typed**.

EX: *Anthem* by Ayn Rand explores...

- 4) After initially referring to the author by first and last name, please refer to authors using last names only.

EX: Ayn Rand will be Rand. Aldous Huxley will be Huxley

- 5) Avoid the pronouns *you*, *your* or *I*, or *me* in literary analysis and AP responses, please. (Except when inside a quote from the text).
- 6) Write about literature in the present tense as characters live on forever...