

English II Pre-AP Summer Reading Assignment Mrs. Friedsam

Required Novel: *The Illustrated Man* by Ray Bradbury.

Summer Reading Required Assignment:

*The following is due in class on the **second** day of school.

*Please bring a new 100-page composition book to class on the second day, as well.

Choose 10 of the 18 stories within *The Illustrated Man* to complete the following information on.

Format: Preferably typed 12pt font with each part labeled (**Protagonist : _____**)

- _____ Author, Title of Book, followed by the Title of the Individual Story
- _____ Protagonist (with a brief description)
- _____ Main Characters (with a brief description of each prominent character)
- _____ Point of View (1st, 2nd or 3rd Person)
- _____ Setting (Time and Place)
- _____ Descriptive Adjectives to Describe the Tone
- _____ Example/s of Irony
- _____ Theme Statement/s (Not just the theme subject)
- _____ Statement of the Author's Purpose in writing the selection (focus on what aspect of society you believe Bradbury is commenting on or criticizing)
- _____ Most Memorable Quote (with MLA in-text documentation)
- _____ Plot Summary

How to Write a Summary for Fiction:

1. Include the name of the title and author in the first sentence.
2. Discuss the characters by name
3. Write 1-3 sentences for each part of the story (Beginning, Middle, End)
4. Write about what's REALLY important!!! Provide textual evidence to support important concepts
5. At the end, explain what the character REALIZES/LEARNS or how the character CHANGED.

*This information will be added into your composition book in class on the second day of school and will serve as 50% of your "Dialectical Notebook" test grade.

Suggestion:

As you read you may want to annotate and highlight for important information such as figurative language, diction, imagery, details, or syntax used to establish the tone of the piece or thematic concepts. We will begin by focusing intensely on sentence structure, types of phrases, syntax techniques and literary devices; therefore, noting any examples you find as you read may prove to be beneficial in assisting you with future assignments.