

AP ® English Language and Composition Summer Assignment 2022

Welcome to 11th grade Advanced Placement English Language and Composition. AP Lang and Comp is a college-level language course that focuses heavily on non-fiction texts and the art of rhetoric. The course combines social sciences, history, current events, as well as the rhetoric of politics, advertising, news, speeches, debate and more; yet, we will integrate novels where necessary to support thematic developments. You'll find this course unique from other English classes you've taken in the past as we explore and analyze language, argumentation, logic, and style in order to gain a deeper understanding of specific choices made in the author's craft.

For the summer assignment, you will need a copy of the book ***Thank You for Arguing*** by Jay Heinrichs, which is the #1 book in the "speech" category on Amazon and can be found here:

<https://www.amazon.com/dp/0593237382>

The tasks below will be due on the first day of class:

1. Read *Thank You for Arguing* and be prepared for a discussion and/or comprehension check.
2. Choose 10 chapters out of the 30 from the book that were particularly significant to you. For each chapter, provide one paragraph that summarizes it and one that responds to it. Your responses should include details about how the chapter relates to your life or the world around you. Each paragraph should be a minimum of eight sentences.