

English III

American Literature Summer Reading Assignment

Your American Literature course is a survey of American Literature spanning from Native American and Colonial times through the modern era. You will select four newspaper articles that addresses each of the four topics listed below. Your summer reading assignment will be due on **September 7th**. You MUST include a copy of the article along with a 1-2 page response to each of the 4 choices listed below. All articles must be either printed from online OR cut out from a physical newspaper. Also, all articles have to be **written within the past 7-8 months**.

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**Assignment List:**

Make sure that your four article responses are typed using size 12 font, Times New Roman, are double spaced, and includes the title of your article and the author's name on each new response.

Each of your articles **MUST address the following topics in 1-2 pages:**

**Article 1** –Identify an article that address social issues, political issues, and/ or traditions. What is the social issue being addressed? Analyze the author's attitude towards this issue. What is the tone of the author? What are your personal views on the topic? Do not merely summarize the article.

**Article 2** – Identify an article that can spark conflicting views and/or opinions between adults and teens? What conflicts do you think the article may provoke? What are your personal views on the topic? What do you think each side will have to say about this topics? Analyze the sources of the conflict. Do not merely summarize the article.

**Article 3** – Identify an article that addresses mental or psychological health? What is discussed about this matter in the article? What purpose do you think this article can serve in our society today? What are your personal views on this topic? Do not merely summarize the article.

**Article 4** – Identify an article that addresses nature or the influence that nature has on the individual or society as a whole. What is the attitude expressed about nature and the natural world in the article? What role do you think nature (as expressed in the article) will have on society? What are your personal views on this topic? Do not merely summarize the article.