



AP English

WEEK 21 SYLLABUS

Monday-Tuesday:

Complete the following activities:

- 1) Continue your discussion in the Achebe Article Discussion Board and the Hawkins Article Discussion Board in the Week 19 & 20 Board.
- 2) Look at the J. Hillis Miller's "Should We Read Heart of Darkness?" (pgs 369-380). BEFORE you read, go to the Discussion Board "Miller Article" and in the topic "Pre-reading Miller" answer the "Pre-reading analysis."
- 3) Read J. Hillis Miller's "Should We Read Heart of Darkness?" (pgs 369-380). Then go to the Discussion Board "Miller Article" and answer the questions.

Wednesday: Complete the following activities:

- 1) Write an evaluation of Heart of Darkness in terms of Miller's question: evaluate the value (or lack of value) *Heart of Darkness* has for us as high school students. Recall the elements of evaluation in Chapter 10 of *Everything's An Argument*. Post your evaluation in the folder "HOD Evaluation." Your evaluation will be graded according to the "Evaluation Standard" found on the Read-Only Board. You MUST quote from at least two of the pieces we read (HOD itself, the articles from before we began to read, the Achebe, Hawkins, and Miller articles).
- 2) **Extra Credit:** Click on the folder "The Danger of a Single Story" and watch the 18-minute video link there. Then write a thoughtpiece in response to what she has to say. This is worth 10 extra credit points.
- 3) Continue your discussion in the Miller Article Discussion Board.

Thursday:

We have already discussed how texts, both fiction and nonfiction, make arguments about all sorts of different things: morality, politics, or the plight of a group of people. For the next two weeks, we will be reading a play that does all of this: *The Crucible* by Arthur Miller.

First, we will read the play, and then we will discuss the larger context of the work and his reasons for writing it. For today, complete the following activities:

- 1) Go to the topic “The Crucible Pre-Reading Questions.” Copy/paste the statements and put your answers after them in another color.
- 2) Read the attachment “The Salem Witch Trials.”
- 3) Read the attachment “The Crucible Activities.”
- 4) Begin to read Act I.

Friday:

Complete the following activities:

- 1) Finish reading Act I
- 2) Post your FOUR comments, as explained in the attachment “The Crucible Activities.”
- 3) Start reading Act II if you have time.
- 4) HANDWRITE an outline and answer to the essay question found in the topic “Week 21 Essay Test.” You have 45 minutes to complete this. When you have finished, respond in the topic indicating that you have finished writing your essay. Also, please post your time of completion or state how far you got before time ran out (i.e. “I did the essay in 30 minutes” or “I only got through my second point before time ran out.”). Set this essay aside in a safe place; you will be asked to assess whether it should be considered for a grade in a few weeks.