

English 11: American Literature _ Summer 2020

Welcome to English 11: American Literature! When we re-enter the classroom in August, we begin with a unit titled, “Foundations and Encounters”. Where better to begin than the beginning, including selections from our country’s founders, early explorers, and religious leaders. For your summer reading assignment, I would like for you to read *Narrative of the the Life of Frederick Douglass: An American Slave* by Frederick Douglass.

TASK:

1. Read the assigned autobiography, taking the time to both understand and enjoy it! You might even consider making notes on post-its and marking important or interesting information as you read.
2. Use Adobe Spark (free online program) to create a video presentation. Adobe Spark is quite user friendly; however, if you find you’d like an introduction to using the program or some helpful tips, I am adding a link to a “how to” tutorial here: [Adobe Spark TUTORIAL VIDEO](#). In your presentation, please include the following information:
 - a. Title and author of book (please include a picture)
 - b. Author’s intended message-- what is the purpose of this book? What message did the author wish to convey to his/her reader? What is the reader meant to ‘take away’ from this book?
 - c. Author’s tone--what is the attitude that the author takes toward the subject?
 - d. Mood--how did you (the reader) feel while reading this book?
 - e. Include 2 direct quotes from the book. Be prepared to discuss the importance of each.
 - f. Explain your feelings about this book in general. Maybe identify something new that you learned. What might a reader find difficult about this book?

*******All work is DUE on THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 2020*******

Questions about your work should be directed to Mrs. Duling

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I’m looking forward to spending the next school year with you!