

For incoming non-AP Juniors:

One Day in The Life of Ivan Denisovich by A. Solzhenitsyn

or

The Mind's Eye by Oliver Sacks

For AP Students:

The Jungle by Upton Sinclair

or

M.H. Ghandi

My Experiment With the Truth

See the format below:

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English Language Arts

Reaction Paper

Due: Wednesday, September 7, 2016

1 Exposition:

A) Mention the name of the book and author in heading. Explain the title.

B) Identify the protagonist (the one you feel is the main character), his/her interests, goals, limitations, and characteristics.

2 Complication:

Indicate rising action that will eventually lead to the major conflict/crisis. (Freytag Pyramid) You need not draw the diagram.

3 Conflict:

The cause of tension must be addressed by the protagonist either because of conscience, a sense of justice, love, loyalty, survival, truth, destiny, or fate.

4 Crises and Climax:

The point in the literary work from which there can be no return to the previous situation; where the tension is greatest marked by action, decision, or realization in an effort to resolve the conflict.

5 Resolution:

This is where the author concludes his/her work and has fulfilled the conditions for a satisfactory ending – possibly sad – though without conflict.

6 Opinion:

Do you recommend the book?

7 Theme or Moral: What have you learned from this work?

Instructions:

A] When quoting from any literature, indicate source with Footnotes or Endnotes.

B] Handwritten essays are not acceptable. The student may hand print the essay. One need not double-space, but my do so.

C] Late submissions will lose 10 points.