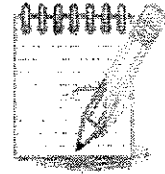


**The Composition Book as a Language Tool  
Language and Composition - AP English 5-6  
Servilican**



Part of becoming a better reader, writer, and language student is to make connections to the everyday world. You will use your composition book to do this. Playing with language can be exciting and fun, but it has to be something you do on an ongoing basis and very consciously. So, with these points in mind, you are going to do the following things using your composition book, beginning immediately.

Every week you will have three entries:

- 1) A class entry, whether it be a plan, a SOAPS entry, an assigned reading response, or a comment about something we are reading or studying in class, Collegeboard website entry, or a major newspaper entry after reading an article in a paper like The New York Times, Washington Post, etc.
- 2) A word entry - choose a word a week. The word can come from our current vocab. list or be a word you notice in your reading. Comment on what the word means and how it applies to you in some way. Make it a word that is sophisticated or something you are not otherwise not familiar with; a word like "stress" doesn't apply!
- 3) A personal entry that is open to anything (please note, however, it will be read by Ms. S. so don't write about something you don't want her to see). It can be about you and how you're feeling at a certain time that week or something you are facing that is challenging! The sky's the limit, so have fun with it.

Make sure you date your weekly entries. One date for the week will do but just make sure it can be differentiated in some way. Use the front and back of your pages. The length of each entry should be approximately a page or more.

Lastly, design a colorful cover for your Language Book and in some way use the word "language" on the cover within the title. Be creative, have fun, and remember the composition books will be collected every other week beginning the week of August 26.

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