



Sagemont Preparatory School

Incoming AP English Literature Summer Reading 2025-26

Assignment 1:

Read Thomas C. Foster's *How to Read Literature Like a Professor*. As you read, write a four-sentence summary of each chapter, illustrating Foster's main point for that chapter. For each chapter you need to have:

1. Synopsis: Four-sentence summary
2. Application: An explanation of how the information in that chapter applies to a work of literature. Do not use the same work of literature for all the chapters. You should use at least FIVE works of literary merit (reading currently or read in past) to prove your point.

Assignment 2:

Read *A Doll's House* by Henrik Ibsen. You will be discussing and presenting your knowledge of the play in a variety of ways, after the summer break. You should be able to identify the common literary elements in this piece, such as theme, setting, or characters. As you read, think about the theme of a woman realizing her role in life. Annotate the text to identify evidence of this theme as you track how this theme is developed. You will need to bring your annotated text to once the first semester commences.

*You can use this book for Assignment 1, in addition to other works that you read.