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Week 7 Assignment Sheet
September 28, 2023
Due October 5, 2023

Unless specifically stated, no outside resources (Web sites, books, magazines, etc.) should be consulted to complete weekly homework assignments. *In other words, don't just Google the answer.* All assignments, unless otherwise noted, should be completed in MLA format.

Literature

- We will finish the novel this week. Read *The Scarlet Letter*, chapters 20-24.
- Prepare for a QUIZ over the novel next week. Use the study guide given to you in class.

Writing

- See the attached essay handout.** Follow the steps on the HANDOUT. This week, your focus will be on pre-writing. Using the process you learned in class and using your *Handbook of Grammar and Composition* as a resource, you will pre-write, draft a working thesis, and begin an informal outline. Due NEXT WEEK: 1) Evidence of your pre-write 2) a working THESIS 3) Informal Outline Handout (week 7 assignment)

Essay Question: Choose ONE

- 1) Hawthorne examines or describes many events and characters from different viewpoints, demonstrating that a person's point of reference or frame of mind can affect how he or she views reality. Two examples are the comet in Chapter 12 (which Dimmesdale saw as a giant "A" for adultery, leading to guilt, and his sexton saw as a giant "A" for angel, leading to joy) and the letter on Dimmesdale's chest as he stands on the scaffold (which most saw, but those unwilling to accept his sin claimed was not there). Choose two characters, objects, or events in the story and demonstrate how Hawthorne describes them from different points of view and how this affects your impression of them. As a conclusion, describe how this technique affects the story as a whole.
- 2) Pick one of the themes we studied and answer one of the following questions:
 - a. Which character best represents this theme? Prove it and support with examples from the novel.
 - b. What was Hawthorne's purpose for this theme? What was his point or what does he want the reader to take from this theme? Prove it and support it with examples.

Your essay will be graded with the PIE rubric that is on the portal.

Final Essay Due Week 11 (November 2nd)

Jr./Sr. Assignment

- None

Honors

- At the end, Dimmesdale says, with apparent joy, “God knows; and He is merciful! He hath proved his mercy, most of all in my afflictions...Praised be his name!” It seems strange for Dimmesdale to be joyful and grateful as he faces death and ignominy after so many years of pain and misery. Read Proverbs 3:11; Hebrews 12:5-11; 1 Corinthians 13:12; Philippians 3:8-11. Write 2-3 sentences explaining how these verses illustrate what Dimmesdale may have been experiencing? Be prepared to share your findings in class next week

Grammar

- Read literary present tense document. Remember to use literary present tense when you write.

Vocabulary

- Review your vocabulary words for chapters 20-24 before reading this week.

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Parents: Please read and sign. I have looked over my student’s work and it is complete to my satisfaction.

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