

AP Language and Composition  
Summer Reading Assignment 2018

1. Read *Fast Food Nation*, by Eric Schlosser

Please complete this on your computer.

- Title:
- Author:
- Number of Pages:
- Copyright date:
- Genre:
- Please find the definitions for the following glossary:
  - antitrust law (n)
  - Cargill (n)
  - ConAgra (n)
  - corporation (n)
  - E. coli O157:H7 (n)
  - FDA (n)
  - franchise (n)
  - IBP (n)
  - IFF (n)
  - libel (n)
  - lobby (v)
  - mad cow (n)
  - OSHA (n)
  - salmonella (n)
  - synergy (n)
  - trust (n)
  - union (n)
  - USDA (n)

Please write a short, excellent paragraph explaining how this book affected you or why it did not affect the way you think about life.

On my honor, I have read this book in its entirety. (Add your signature)

2. Read *Thank You for Arguing*, by Jay Heinrichs

This book is divided into 4 major sections: "Offense," "Defense," "Advanced Offense," and "Advanced Agreement." As you read, begin watching for the use of these techniques in everyday life (parents, siblings, friends, television, etc.). For each section, record five incidents you have observed and record them. Write what is said, the time, the reason, by whom, the circumstance, the technique and why it is this technique; e.g. My mother said \_\_\_\_\_ in June on our vacation to convince me to \_\_\_\_\_. This is the use of ethos because she was attempting to \_\_\_\_\_. Each technique may only be used once.

While this book sounds boring, it is really quite interesting and will certainly help you to recognize winning rhetoric. It will even teach you how to employ winning rhetoric (even with parents!).