

Dear Future AP Language & Composition Student,

Welcome aboard the rollercoaster that is AP Language & Composition! I'm Ms. Barron (some of you have had me before), your guide for this thrilling journey through the twists and turns of rhetoric, analysis, and persuasive writing. I'm thrilled to have you join this adventure, and I promise it will be a ride worth taking.

Now, let's talk about summer reading. Yes, I know, nothing says "summer fun" quite like a reading assignment, right? But trust me on this one. The book I've chosen for you, *Thank You for Arguing* by Jay Heinrichs (ensure you get the revised and updated version, ISBN: 0385347758), is not your typical snooze-fest. It's witty and insightful and will give you superpowers in the art of persuasion. Imagine being able to win any argument with your friends, siblings, or even your parents. Pretty cool, right?

Here's what you need to do:

1. **Read *Thank You for Arguing*:** Dive into Heinrichs's world of rhetoric. Enjoy the humor and soak up the wisdom.
2. **Answer the Questions:** I've attached a [list of questions for you to answer](#) as you read. These aren't just busy work; they're your study guide for a comprehensive test at the beginning of school. The test will cover key concepts and terms from the book. Take this assignment seriously and answer thoroughly.
3. **Submit on Day One:** Type up your answers and have them ready to submit when we meet in person.

I know this might seem like a lot but think of it as a warm-up. This book is engaging, and once you get into it, you'll find it's not just educational but genuinely entertaining. Plus, the effort you put in now will pay off big time when school starts. You'll be ahead of the game, ready to tackle the complexities of AP Lang with confidence.

Feel free to reach me over the summer if you have any questions or need a pep talk. You can email me at lindsay.barron@ucps.k12.nc.us.

I'm looking forward to a fantastic year with you all. Get ready to sharpen your minds, challenge your perspectives, and, of course, argue like a pro!

Enjoy your summer reading!

P.S. Remember, the more you put into this assignment, the more you'll get out of it. And who knows, you might even enjoy it!