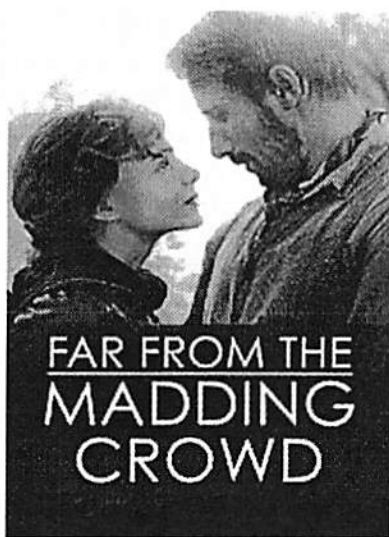




Summer Reading AP Literature and Composition

Your summer reading assignment is the novel *Far from the Madding Crowd* by Thomas Hardy. You can purchase it at any major bookstore, Amazon, or you can read the pdf online:

<http://triggs.djvu.org/djvueditions.com/HARDY/FFMC/Download.pdf>



As you read, you should annotate and complete the attached Major Works Data Sheet. You will be given a detailed objective test the first week of school, and you will write an in-class essay the next class meeting after the test.

You will find a power point on my Google Classroom summarizing the book *How to Read Literature Like a Professor*. You may use that to help you understand what to look for in terms of literary devices and style. The class code is 2gvv7mc. Remember you must be logged in under your ibaldwin account to join this class.

Major Works Data Sheet

<p>Title: _____</p> <p>Author: _____</p> <p>Date of Publication: _____</p> <p>Genre: _____</p>	<p>Biographical information about the author:</p>
<p>Historical information about the period of publication:</p>	<p>Characteristics of the genre:</p>
<p>Plot summary:</p>	

Describe the author's style:	An example that demonstrates the style:
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Memorable Quotes: You must have a minimum of five

Quote	Explain the Significance

Characters			
Name	Role in the story	Significance	Adjectives

Setting	Significance of the opening scene
Symbols	Significance of the ending/closing scene
Possible Themes—Please state in complete sentences	