

Cornelia Connelly School
Summer Reading Assignment
English II

Text: *Pride and Prejudice*

by Jane Austen
(ISBN 0143036238)

Dear sophomores,

“You’ve seen the movie—now read the book!” Chapman University used this phrase when advertising for graduate school in English and it’s true. All of us who know and love literature know that the book is usually better than the film; however, the film may draw us into a love for a certain writer’s works, and, this love lasts a lifetime. Jane Austen’s novels reflect the English life and traditions during the 19th century. During the school year, we will travel through time from the earliest recorded writing of *Beowulf* to the emergence of the English novel in the writings of Jane Austen, Charlotte Bronte, Mary Shelley, and Charles Dickens.

Please print out or save a copy of the Study Guide found at:

http://www.glencoe.com/sec/literature/litlibrary/pdf/pride_and_predjudice.pdf

You will find information on Jane Austin and her life. You will also find all the questions and assignments listed below. There are several study questions that I would like you to answer. I have listed the pages you need to complete and turn in.

Complete the following assignments:

Read pages 9-12

Complete page 13, and answer questions 1-5 found on pages 14 and 15

Complete “Literature and Writing” on page 15

Read page 16

Complete page 17, and answer questions 1-5 found on pages 18 and 19

Complete “Literature and Writing” summary

Read page 20

Answer questions 1-5 found on pages 22-23

Read page 24

Answer questions 1-5 found on pages 25-27

Complete “Literature and Writing: Suspense” page 27

Read page 28;

Answer questions 1-5 found on pages 29-30

Complete “Literature and Writing: Character Study” page 31

and “Creative Writing” page 31.

The packets are due the first week of school.

The summer assignment is, of course, to read and to enjoy the novel. You will answer the preceding questions to create a study guide for the novel. There will be a comprehensive test on the novel after school begins.

Enjoy your reading, and I look forward to seeing you next year!

Ms. Lesley