

SBCS AP English Literature Summer Reading Assignments for 2020-2021

Frankenstein by Mary Shelley

In a PowerPoint or Google Slides presentation, thoroughly discuss **five** of the following questions. Your answers/discussion should represent your independent (not Spark notes or other analytical resources) analytical thought and include thesis/topic statements that present arguable positions. Include relevant images. Support your thesis statements with text evidence. Cite the source of your images as well as the novel. **The use of any analytical resources such as Spark Notes, Cliff Notes, Wikipedia, or other summary/commentary sites is considered cheating.** The *thinking* of this project is to be *your own*.

Questions for consideration and analysis:

1. What are the characteristics of a tragic hero? (Required if doing other tragic hero questions)
2. How is Victor Frankenstein a tragic hero? (Required if doing other tragic hero questions)
3. How is the creature a tragic hero? (Required if doing other tragic hero questions)
4. How does the story of *Frankenstein* compare and contrast with the creation of Adam and Eve in the book of Genesis?
5. How does *Frankenstein* compare with another literary account of creator/creation?
6. What are the similarities and differences between Victor and the creature?
7. Who is responsible for the deaths in *Frankenstein*? The creature or Victor or both? Evaluate the guilt each holds and justify your thesis with the text.

Poetry Assignment

1. Read the ten poems listed/linked in the following chart.
2. Send a list of your three favorites to Mrs. Wells at jessyewells@salemvikings.org prior to the first day of class. Explain why those three were your favorites.
3. Complete the chart independently without using analytical resources. You may use a dictionary or look up individual terms and phrases to understand the allusions or vocabulary the poet employs.

Poetry Chart

Title	Meaning (1-3 complete sentences)	Literary Devices (List those you notice.)
"Introduction to Poetry" by Billy Collins		
"Cheerios" by Billy Collins		
"Lines Composed Three Thousand Miles"		

Away From Tinturn Abbey ” by Billy Collins		
“ The Next Poem ” by Billy Collins		
“ Sonnet ” by Billy Collins		
“ No, Thank You, John ” by Christina Rossetti		
“ Ozymandias ” by Percy Bysshe Shelley		
“ Fire and Ice ” by Robert Frost		
“ Mother to Son ” by Langston Hughes		
“ The Rose That Grew From Concrete ” by Tupac Shakur		

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