

Reading Reflections

Following are the parameters for your reading reflections. If you do not meet any of the following, your point value will decrease. Each reflection is worth 10 points per page. Sometimes you will be writing one-page reflections and sometimes two-page reflections. The objective of these reflections is two fold: fold the first, to make sure you are reading the stories, chapters, poems, etc. and thinking about them; fold the second, to work on your writing skills

No Plot Summary!

- You may write on any literary element, but you must assume that your reader has read the text. **No plot summary will be accepted.**
- Making connections between the text and life is acceptable, but limit your musings. Do not ramble on about a connection to take up time and space.
- No first person unless otherwise indicated. If the word “I” appears, I will stop reading and have you rewrite your reflection.
- Two pages unless otherwise specified
- Typed, double-spaced, Times font, traditional margins
- Printed/mailed **BEFORE** class begins
- Complete sentences and developed paragraphs. Each paragraph should have a topic sentence and paragraphs should be more than one sentence. You do not need an intro, body and conclusion organizational plan
- Evidence in the text that the assignment was carefully and thoughtfully read. A good reflection provides insight, analysis and possibly quotations (properly cited).
- Novel titles are in italics; sections of books, short stories, and short poems are in quotation marks.
- If you email/join me to your document, you take the chance that I won’t remember to print it out, and google.docs doesn’t automatically put a name on the piece.

Heading

- You must have a heading on the first page (12 point, top-left corner)
- Name
- Date submitted
- Reading assignment
- Only include this information on page 1. Other pages should just have your name.
- Staple your pages
- Do not use a lot of white space. Your heading should be single-spaced

What not to say

the fact that	it is important to note	needless to say
it seems	I think/believe	kind of
sort of	in my opinion	in a way
things	a lot	stuff
what this quote means		