

Summer Reading Assignment 2019: British Literature
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Goal: Through the Summer Reading Assignment, students at Eden will be actively involved in reading, thinking, and writing.

Requirements: Students will be reading two books this summer, one required novel and one of their choice.

Required: *Pilgrim's Progress* by John Bunyan

Options: *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen

Brave New World by Aldous Huxley

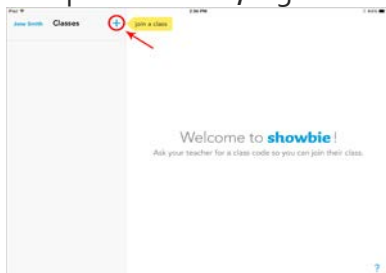
The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde by Robert Lewis Stevenson

For both books, students must read the novel and respond to the five discussion questions posted on Showbie. Responses should be at least 200 words and are worth 20 points each. All responses should include **at least one quotation** from the book that provides a specific example of/support for your argument. **All posts for the first book are due by midnight on July 8, 2019. All posts for the second book are due by midnight on August 12, 2019.**

Showbie: Showbie is a private platform for educators and students that allows for paperless collaboration. It can be accessed through their free app or through their website (www.showbie.com). We will be using Showbie throughout the year for communication and collaboration. By joining our class, you will be able to access all summer reading questions and post your responses.

Signing Up:

1. Open Showbie, login into your student account and click on the +:



2. Enter the class code, **FA5GY**, then tap *Join*:

3. Once you've joined the class, you will be able to see your summer reading assignments.

4. Please submit your posts as a comment or upload as a GoogleDoc.

Grading rubric for all posts:

Critical Thinking (10 points)	Responses demonstrate thoughtful, careful engagement with the prompt or post, discussing important ideas, characters, etc., and fully answering all parts of the question(s).
Examples (6 points)	Responses use specific examples/quotations from the book along with cited page numbers.
Writing Standards (4 points)	The writing is clear, concise, and easy to understand. Rules of grammar and mechanics are followed. Minimum length requirement is met.
Timeliness	Posts are submitted before midnight the due date. (-10% for each day late)

Total points:

Book 1:100 points

Book 2:100 points

Sample Post for *To Kill A Mockingbird*:

Discussion Question: Discuss Jem and Scout's behavior as siblings: how do they treat each other and relate to each other? Use at least one specific example from the book to show your point (give a page number). Also, connect their relationship to your own family relationships: how is it similar and/or different?

John Doe Post: Jem and Scout relate like most brothers and sisters. Because Jem is the oldest, he wants to be in charge and often tries to act more mature than he really is. For instance, on the first day of school, Jem instructs Scout not to bother him with any requests to play (page 16). He also boasts about not being afraid of the Radley Place. Scout sees through this, though, and often laughs at him for his arrogance. Despite their conflicts, the two are very close and do everything together. Scout believes Jem almost implicitly, accepting his description of Boo Radley even though he has never seen him. I can see myself in Jem; as the oldest, I want to be the leader of my siblings, and I want them to look up to me. It's easy to boast and tell stories when I'm trying to do this. However, because I'm a girl and I have girl siblings, I think we can relate more than Scout and Jem did; we easily share secrets and jokes.