

Summer Reading- 11th grade Honors and CP - Due Monday, August 15, 2016

The Old Man and the Sea by Ernest Hemingway

The way of life presented in the novel is different from life as we know it today. Think about the differences between you and your family's way of life and the way of life of Manolin and Santiago in the novel. Discuss EACH of the following five aspects in a short essay of at least fifty (50) words EACH. Repeat the topic in the response. GUM will be graded. Skip a line between responses.

1. Climate and Environment

How important is the weather to life where you live and how important is an understanding of the place you live in, compared with what is presented in the life of Santiago? Give examples from the novel.

2. Possessions

What does Santiago possess that is not essential to his survival as a fisherman? Give examples from the novel.

What do you possess that is essential to your survival? What might we learn from the differences?

3. How we pay for our possessions

What are the differences between the ways Santiago and Mandolin pay for things and the way you do? Give examples from the novel.

4. Personal goals and ambition

Write down three of your goals and three of Santiago's. What are the differences?

5. Relationships

Manolin cares so much for the Old Man that he is prepared to defy his parents' order not to fish with Santiago. Are there times when you have defied your parents' wishes? Your teacher's?