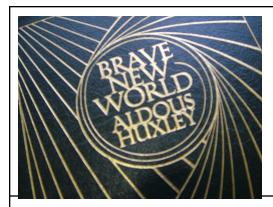
English 4 Honors - Summer Reading Assignment 2022

Due: first day of class **Points**: 120 **Close Reading**

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Please use sticky notes to mark short quotes and longer passages which seem to shed light on the following motifs and themes.



Brave New World by Aldous Huxley (1932)

Huxley's imaginary world has a decidedly utopian cast. Scratch beneath the surface, however, and you discover that there *is* nothing beneath the surface, because even the ruling class is kept infantile by means of conditioning, drugs and sex. The novel poses questions about immediate gratification and social control.

1. Motifs and Themes to Sticky Note

- Shakespearean allusions
- Isolation
- Guilt
- Stability vs. Freedom
- Rebellion
- Individuality

2. <u>Reading Assignment: 10 Moments</u>

Having completed the reading, return to your sticky notes and select what you think are the **10** most important or interesting events from each novel. Then choose two quotes per event, which you marked, to create your 10 Moments Analysis. Copy the quotes and then write three to five sentences of commentary (your analysis, not plot summary).

3. Modern Application: Creative Comparison

Think about the ways *Brave New World* applies to our culture. Then create a visual comparison. This can be a Venn diagram or a 1-pager or an idea of your own. Have fun with it.

Please be prepared to submit your 10 Moments Analysis to Turnitin.com and to Google Classroom. Have a great reading summer!