12 Regular ENG Summer Reading Assignment

Directions: We ended the year learning about dystopian literature, which has at least one of the following elements: environmental destruction, nuclear disaster, governmental control, religious control, technological control/surveillance, loss of individualism/repression. For this assignment, you will choose one of the following books and figure out which of the above elements is the most prominent. This means you will be choosing one of the books and one of the above elements. As you read, you will be annotating each chapter for evidence that supports your chosen dystopian element and you will be writing and creating an interactive writing journal. In this journal, you will be compiling, for every chapter, one of the following:

- 1. An in-depth reaction to what is happening in the chapter, with specific focus on plot, characterization, conflict, setting, point-of-view, tone and mood (through the author's specific word choice). <u>Page number included. Five sentences minimum.</u>
- 2. A personal connection to the element in the chapter of the book—does anything in the book remind you of your personal life? Something you have personally experienced? How/why? What connection do you have to the specific dystopian element presented? Page number included. Five sentences minimum.
- 3. A recent news article that represents the dystopian element in real life from one of the following sources: *The New York Times, The Washington Post, NPR, BBC, The New Yorker, Slate, The Atlantic, The Guardian, The Economist, The Wallstreet Journal,* or any other .edu, or .org official and credible site. <u>ABSOLUTELY NO WIKIPEDIA. Five sentences minimum. Link to website included.</u>
- 4. A drawing, illustration, or picture of a scene from the book with a description of how and why it is important in representing your chosen dystopian element. <u>Page number</u> <u>included. Five sentences minimum.</u>

<u>Please note: You cannot use the same prompt twice in a row. You should be rotating each prompt for every given chapter.</u>

Suggested Process:

- Step One: Choose one book from the following list.
- Step Two: Begin a professional, interesting, and creative Google Slides presentation.
- **Step Three:** Begin reading your chosen book and decide which element the book is mainly about.
- **Step Four:** Begin underlining moments in each chapter that you feel you could easily research and find real-life examples of. Pay special attention to setting, characters, conflict, descriptions, and any statistics mentioned.
- Step Five: Choose one of the above prompts that best fit the chapter.
- Step Six: Create your Google Slides Notebook entry for each chapter.

Book List:

Fahrenheit 451- Ray Bradbury

Oryx and Crake- Margaret Atwood Feed- M.T. Anderson 1984- George Orwell Uglies- Scott Westerfeld Brave New World- Aldous Huxley The Power- Naomi Alderman Never Let Me Go- Kazu Ishiguro The Road- Cormac McCarthy Station Eleven- Emily St. John Mandel The Chrysalids- John Wyndham The Drowned World- J.G. Ballard The Children of Men- P.D. James Ender's Game- Orson Scott Card Ready Player One- Ernest Cline