

Google Classroom code for English II: **305n84w**

Part I: Creation of Reader's and Writer's Notebook

Literature is the examination of our human experience through the study of poetry, novels, short stories, plays, and other forms of literature. For our class, we will use a Reader and Writer's Notebook to help us to critically reflect and respond to themes and subjects of literature, such as alienation, identity, justice, fate, and many more. Also, the notebook will help us develop and enhance our writer's voice. To set the tone for the class, decorate your Reader's and Writer's Notebook with the following items.

- (a) art - (photograph, drawing, painting)
- (b) a person of interest
- (c) a hobby
- (d) a food/or place to eat
- (e) a color
- (f) a place to visit or would like to visit
- (g) a social problem you would like to help solve
- (h) an idea that you are passionate about
- (i) a line or two from your #1 song

Part II: Create a Soundtrack

Think about your favorite movie or video games. . Perhaps one of the reasons, you like the film or game is partly due to the background music. That background music is what people refer to as a **soundtrack**. For some reason, the music adds an element of fear, love, passion, hate, and/or other emotions as a way to heighten the scene or moment. In your own life, you may have a memory or experience, and attached to that moment there is a song that will "take you back."

Create a Soundtrack assignment asks you to **critically reflect** about 10 meaningful songs that has a special meaning to you. A way to start thinking about your favorite songs is to go to your YouTube history or favorites and see which songs you constantly listen to or the playlist on your smartphones. The Soundtrack document is posted on Google Classroom and on the first day of school bring a printed copy of your Soundtrack as well as submit it on Google Classroom.