



Summer Reading Project

Rising 12th Grade

Read George Orwell's *Animal Farm*, highlighting or marking evidence of tyranny as you read. Reading support can be located at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G14REOWdjSE>. Write an essay that explores tyranny as a theme of this novel. Use at least one quote per body paragraph to support your point, and format your paper to meet MLA standards (including internal citation and works cited).

As you write, consider the questions you explored in your 4th quarter research paper and other literary studies this year:

1. Who is the tyrant?
2. What caused the tyrant to become tyrannical?
3. How is the tyrant tyrannical?
4. What does the tyrant hope to gain?
5. What happens to others as a result of the tyrant's tyrannical ways?
6. What do others do in response to the tyrant?
7. What can be learned about humanity (given the assumption that the animals represent people), and about the world from this tyranny and people's responses to it?