

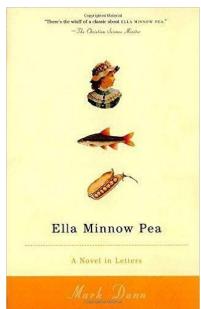
11th Grade Advanced Placement Language and Composition

Summer Reading 2020

Close and Crowder

Welcome to AP Language and Composition!

We are looking forward to an exciting year when we will study about the art of writing and the world of literature. You should purchase both books. **Read *Ella Minnow Pea* and *Just Mercy* and be ready to discuss these works in the fall and to use them to inform your study in AP English Language!**

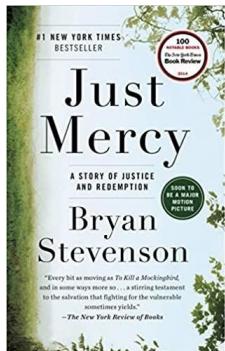


Ella Minnow Pea/ By Mark Dunn. ISBN# 978-0385722438

Ella Minnow Pea is a girl living happily on the fictional island of Nollop off the coast of South Carolina. Nollop was named after Nevin Nollop, author of the immortal phrase containing all the letters of the alphabet, “The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog.”

Now Ella finds herself acting to save her friends, family, and fellow citizens from the encroaching totalitarianism of the island’s Council, which has banned the use of certain letters of the alphabet as they fall from a memorial statue of Nevin Nollop. As the letters progressively drop from the statue they also disappear from the novel. The result is both a hilarious and moving story of one girl’s fight for freedom of expression, as well as a linguistic tour de force sure to delight word lovers everywhere.

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Just Mercy/ By Bryan Stevenson / ISBN-13: 978-0812984965

“*Just Mercy* is every bit as moving as *To Kill a Mockingbird*, and in some ways more so. . . . [It] demonstrates, as powerfully as any book on criminal justice that I’ve ever read, the extent to which brutality, unfairness, and racial bias continue to infect criminal law in the United States. But at the same time that [Bryan] Stevenson tells an utterly damning story of deep-seated and widespread injustice, he also recounts instances of human compassion, understanding, mercy, and justice that offer hope. . . . *Just Mercy* is a remarkable amalgam, at once a searing indictment of American criminal justice and a stirring testament to the salvation that fighting for the vulnerable sometimes yields.”—David Cole, *The New York Review of Books*

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Happy Reading!

Mrs. Close and Dr. Crowder