

Bonjour !

Ci-joints vous trouverez la "lecture d'été" pour le cours de Littérature Française à RPCS pour l'année 2011-2012.

A FAIRE PENDANT L'ÉTÉ :

1. **Boule de suif:** Before you begin reading the story, do some research (en français!!) on Guy de Maupassant and on "La guerre franco-allemande de 1870". Although not necessary, you may also look for the Maupassant documents on my website at RPCS. Your first journal entry should be a brief description of Maupassant. Who was he and what aspects of his life do you consider important?
2. **Reading Strategies:** Read the story a few pages at a time. Read your selected *lecture* a first time through for general comprehension. Read a second time through not looking up every word that you do not understand, but enough words to get a good understanding of each sentence/paragraph/page. Then read a third time through for a more fluent and solid comprehension.
3. **Comprehension questions:** Use the comprehension questions to help you better understand the *lecture*. Read through a few questions before each *lecture* to give you an idea of what you should be looking for.
4. **Journal:** Please keep a journal of vocabulary words that you look up, questions that you have on the reading, and any reactions to the reading. I have highlighted some of the words in the PDF file of *Boule de Suif*. You should write a journal entry for each *lecture*, no matter how you decide to break down the story. Please note page numbers. Remember that your first journal entry is on Maupassant. The journal will be graded as your first reading assignment.

Be ready to share in discussion some of your comments and observations from #s 1, 3, and 4 during the first couple of classes.

Don't forget to contact our website for the complete booklist for this course. They must be bought before the beginning of school. Our bookstore at RPCS DOES NOT have these books in stock. They must be bought either online (least expensive?) or at a bookstore, but PLEASE buy the ISBN#s indicated. I will probably add one more book or film to the list.

Je serai très peu à Baltimore cet été mais si vous avez des questions, n'hésitez pas à me contacter à l'école (410-323-5500) ou chez moi (410-377-2311). J'espère que vous passerez de bonnes vacances et j'ai hâte de travailler avec vous l'année prochaine.

Bon été et bonne lecture !
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