From the following list, select two pieces of fiction to read this summer. Please choose works you have not yet read. This list represents fiction from all over the world and various time periods – consider variety within your choices.

Never Let Me Go
A Prayer for Owen Meany
Their Eyes Were Watching God
All the Pretty Horses
Adventures of Huckleberry Finn
Atonement
The Catcher in the Rye
Great Expectations
The House on Mango Street
The Namesake
Purple Hibiscus
To Kill a Mockingbird
The Color Purple
A Tree Grows in Brooklyn
Jane Eyre

All of the novels above fit the following concept - A bildungsroman, or coming-of-age novel, recounts the psychological or moral development of its protagonist from youth to maturity, when this character recognizes his or her place in the world. Select a single pivotal moment in the psychological or moral development of the protagonist of a bildungsroman. Then write a well-organized essay that analyzes how that single moment shapes the meaning of the work as a whole.

DO NOT WRITE AN ESSAY THIS SUMMER. However, this will be your first AP Literature Timed Write prompt in class when school begins. Be prepared to compose this essay when class commences in September.

On the back, complete the essay outline/brainstorm for your timed write on the back.
Introduction: Engaging introduction that utilizes elaboration strategies and/or literary devices (hint: be creative with descriptive and elevated vocabulary, but brief)

Thesis: Argument regarding single pivotal moment and how it shapes the meaning of the novel

Body Paragraph: Significant and relevant examples to prove argument

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Conclusion: Concluding statement regarding argument (hint: nice if it ties back to introduction)