

Dear IB Senior Students,

I know you will enjoy this year's summer reading: *THE RAINBOW*, by D.H. Lawrence. When you close the book you can use it as a door stop. I'm just saying.

After you read *THE RAINBOW*, by D.H. Lawrence, you will be ready to write a 3-5 page paper to kick off your entrance into your last year of I.B. at James S. Rickards High School. It will be a great year for us as we tackle some of the best literature written.

Brief guidelines for the paper:

3-5 pages

Double space

12 point font

Stapled or paper clipped

**MLA Format** (I will not accept your paper if it is not in MLA Format. You can find this online.)

Works cited page

At least two secondary sources

You don't know what to write? What in the book interests you? What do you want to explore? Some beginning thoughts to help rattle your brain: Nature vs environment, the nature of self-fulfillment, hmmm ...: marriage, physical love, sexual mores, social concerns, culture, spirituality...Come on. You can do better than this. Think outside the box. Please. Don't forget that the elements of fiction are your friend.

Please make it interesting for you. I want to read fantastic papers, papers with ideas, papers that support every idea, sophisticated writing, and revolutionary thinking.

I can't wait!

May the force be with you.

Happy reading,

Dr. Cory