



IB A1 SL SUMMER READING

2009

Assigned Reading:

Franz Kafka's *The Metamorphosis and Other Stories*

- "The Judgment"
- "The Metamorphosis"
- "In the Penal Colony"
- "A Country Doctor"
- "A Report to an Academy"

Required Reading Tasks:

When you return from summer break, we will spend the first few classes reprising Kafka's work. To be prepared, please prepare the following:

1. Read the biographical information to contextualize Kafka's work. Use the following link:
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Franz_Kafka
2. NING postings. You are required to submit one posting per story. Obviously, I would encourage you to engage in discussion forums as much as you can!
3. Create a Powerpoint (or another application of choice) that employs sound, images (original are best!!) and text. You need to:
 - a. Compare **Aspects** of the five stories
 - b. Discuss traits of **Existentialism** in the stories
 - c. Draw **Parallels** to personal or contemporary issues

You will present this upon return to class in August.

We will also have a Socratic Seminar after the presentations to conclude our Summer Reading project.

Good luck and enjoy!