

RISING SENIORS

You have been given David Sedaris' "Me Talk Pretty One Day".

For those of you who do not know David Sedaris, he is a humorist, which for lack of a better expression is a writer who uses humor. His work is almost exclusively short stories, and your first film will be comedy-based.

Your assignment is to read the entire book, and then select two essays and answer the following questions:

What was the title of the piece?

How was it funny to you? or not?

Give me at least 3 examples of humor in each essay and explain to me WHY they were humorous. What did reading this teach you about how comedy is used?

Create a Google Form and hand in Day One! - Mr. B

RISING JUNIORS

You have been given the play "Twelve Angry Men".

For those of you who do not know, "Twelve Angry Men" is a famous play that was made into a famous movie.

In my class this year, we are going to focus on three things: Story, Character and Emotion. That in mind, create a Google doc and answer the following ?s.

What is the story of the play?
Who is the main character? How do we know?
Who is your favorite character and why?
Give me at least 3 examples where emotion is shown.
List page number and be specific.
How does that emotion reveal the character in each?
Did you like the story? If so, why? or why not?

Have your Google Doc ready to hand in Day One! - Mr. B

RISING SOPHOMORES

Open up a Google Doc and call it - Summer Assignment 2024 - Film. Find **10 video clips (as YouTube links)** that you feel exhibit strong filmmaking, and speak to you personally, **and explain why.** The video clips should be from a professional film or TV show. The strength of the film clip can relate to its cinematography, shot variety, editing, dramatic writing, etc. Each link should include

- the name of the film or TV show that the link is taken from.
- the time code (section of the clip) that you are focusing on, for example 1:10 to 1:35.
- two or three sentences about what *YOU* think is strong about the film clip you selected and *WHY* it speaks to you.

You will upload your Summer Assignment to the Google Classroom Summer Assignment in the first week of film class.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, YOU CAN REACH ME AT MBRIDENSTINE@SCHOOLS.NYC.GOV