These plans will be posted on Google Classroom & Progress Book. You can ask me questions in Google Classroom or email me. Hold on to your workbooks, but submit all writing to turnitin.com.

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You still have the choice to join online discussions on Mon., Wed., & Friday at 10 a.m. for 4th period or at 1:00 p.m. for 6th period. We are using Google Meet & the joining information is posted 5 minutes prior to the meet time on Google Classroom. Discussions are lasting 30 minutes.

OR

You may write questions to show you have read. Instead of 4 questions per chapter, You need to write 5 questions per discussion. On Monday, April 13, write 5 questions for chapters 17 & 18. Try to vary the question words you use: Why? When? How much? Where? This will be 15 questions per week.

Week of April 13

Monday - Reading Tom Sawyer. Discussion of chapters 17 & 18 today.

Tuesday - Using commas in letter writing. Grammar workbook pages 196, 197, & 198

Wednesday - Reading Tom Sawyer. Discussion of chapters 19, 20, & 21 today & any questions about tomorrow's writing assignment.

Thursday - Writing prompt: Writing an introduction for Mark Twain. See page 3 for details.

Friday - Reading Tom Sawyer. Discussion of chapters 22, 23, & 24 today.

Week of April 20

Monday - Reading Tom Sawyer. Discussion of chapters 25 & 26 today.

Tuesday - Punctuating Quotations. Grammar workbook pages 199, 200, & 201

Wednesday - Reading Tom Sawyer. Discussion of chapters 27, 28, & 29 today. Any questions about the writing prompt can be discussed.

Thursday - Writing prompt: Quotes by Mark Twain. See page 3 for details.

Friday - Reading Tom Sawyer. Discussion of chapters 30 & 31 today and answer any questions about the writing assignments.

*Complete the novel for Monday, April 27

Week of April 27

Monday - Reading Tom Sawyer. Discussion of the end of the novel today.

Tuesday - Colons & Semi-colons: Grammar workbook pages 202, 203, & 204.

Wednesday - Writing assignment: Essay about Mark Twain as a writer. Begin 5 paragraph essay with a question & outline.

Thursday - Work on Mark Twain essay. Review your outline. Do you have enough for a 5 paragraph essay? If you need more information, do more research. Turn this outline in to turnitin.com by 2:00 p.m. today.

Friday - Using your outline, begin writing your essay. Complete a rough draft today.

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Writing Prompts

Thursday, April 16

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Introduce Mark Twain to an Audience

Spend about 15-20 minutes researching the life of Mark Twain & take notes & keep track of your sources. You will need 4 sources.

Announcing, Mr. Mark Twain

Mark Twain traveled all around the world giving lectures, and thousands of people flocked to hear him. Imagine you were asked to introduce Mark Twain at one of these lectures. Prepare an appropriate introduction. Make sure your introduction is interesting and that you have included information that will leave your audience member anxiously awaiting the arrival of the speaker.

Submit this paper to turnitin.com by Friday, April 17 at 10:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 23

Quotes by Mark Twain

Read at least 10 quotes by Mark Twain on different subjects. Choose one and describe what it tells you about the author, and explain if the message within the quote is still applicable today. Write two paragraphs and include the quote

Submit this paper to turnitin.com by 10:00 p.m. today.

Wednesday, April 29, 30, & May 1

Essay about Mark Twain as a Writer

Research & Informative essay of Mark Twain. You now know some of Twain's background, and you have read *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*. Use what you know from reading his book, reading 10+ quotes, and the biographical information you gathered to write an informational essay about the writer.

First, you need to decide what question you are going to ask and answer in your essay. For example: Is Mark Twain the greatest humorist in the country? Is he the father of American Literature? Does Mark Twain capture the essence of growing up near the MIssissippi River in the mid 1800s? Research how other writers view Mark Twain and support their claims with your own experiences. You may choose any question you like. Once you know your question, try to create an outline to support your claim.

Thursday - Work on the writing assignment. Review your outline. Do you have enough for a 5 paragraph essay? If you need more information, do more research. Turn this outline in to turnitin.com by 2:00 p.m. today.

Friday - Using your outline, begin writing your essay. Complete a rough draft today. You will have to create a bibliography page when we return to school in MLA format. Keep track of your sources!