

Summer 2011 Assignments for Pre- Diploma English 10 students

I. Assigned Reading

-*How to Read Literature Like a Professor: A Lively and Entertaining Guide to Reading Between the Lines* by Thomas C. Foster. **Please read this book prior to reading *The Death of Ivan Ilych*.**

-*The Death of Ivan Ilych* by Leo Tolstoy

II. Activities

- 1. Actively read *How To Read Literture like a Professor* cover to cover.** This is **not** a novel. The book is easy to read and fairly entertaining. Furthermore, it will unlock many of the mysteries of literature. Be sure to read closely Chapter 27, which includes a sample student reflection that you may use as a model for your own writing. To read actively, be sure to question, analyze, and respond to the text.
- 2. Actively read *The Death of Ivan Ilych*.** To read actively, be sure to question, analyze, and respond to the text.
- 3. Compose a well-reasoned, well-written reflection of about 500 words in which you analyze *The Death of Ivan Ilych* using reading techniques and literary insights gained from Foster's book.** Consider symbols, patterns, and archetypes. Why does this story resonate with us? The paper will be addressed using the rubric below. All papers must be typed.

Be prepared for a quiz on both the Foster and Tolstoy books.

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