Year 12 summer work

In preparation for September you should complete the following tasks.

You will need to buy the following edition of Jane Eyre:

*Jane Eyre* by Charlotte Brontë, edited by Stevie Davies
Published by Penguin Classics (June 2006)
ISBN 10: 0141441143

You should be able to get this edition from any good bookshop or from Amazon (you’ll also be likely to find copies in most second hand bookshops.)

Having read the novel, you should then complete the following written tasks:

1. Write a synopsis of the novel (no more than 300 words). This should include a concise, yet detailed overview of the plot and the novel’s main characters.

2. Imagine you are writing a book review for the *Times Literary Supplement*. Based on your reading of *Jane Eyre*, write a review of the novel. You should think about your response to Jane and Rochester, as well as the narrative. Your review should be no more than 300 words.

Your work can either be handwritten or word processed. If you do use a word processor then you should use font size 12, Times New Roman.

You will also need to spend time over the summer considering which other novel you could use as part of your coursework (which will be a comparative essay).

**Suggested paired texts:**

*Wide Sargasso Sea* by Jean Rhys
*Rebecca* by Daphne Du Maurier
*Oliver Twist* by Charles Dickens
*Great Expectations* by Charles Dickens
*Dracula* by Bram Stoker
*The Castle of Otranto* by Horace Walpole
*Northanger Abbey* by Jane Austen
*Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen
*Wuthering Heights* by Emily Brontë
*Tess of the d’Urbervilles* by Thomas Hardy

**Happy reading!**