

II. JUNIOR READING (ALL JUNIOR COURSES)

Shaara, Michael. The Killer Angels. New York: Ballantine Books, 1996. (ISBN-10: 0345348109)

Part One: Essay Responses

For each of the following prompts respond with a short essay:

1. Compare and contrast the Union and Confederate Armies. Discuss the make-up of each army, which is more dedicated to their cause, and which do you find more appealing and why. **To do this successfully, you must use evidence, examples, and quotes from the book to support your analysis.**
2. Do you feel the novel is pro-Confederate or pro- Union? You must explain why you choose the position you take **and defend it with evidence, examples, and quotes to support your stance.**
3. Analyze the actions of one of the officers prominently mentioned in the novel. Discuss decisions and actions that he made/ took that he should not have done. Discuss decisions/ actions not made or not taken that he should have considered or attempted.

Part Two: Be Creative

Construct a diary, journal entry, or letter describing one character's actions for each day of the battle. This is meant to be creative. You will probably need to do some reading/research outside of the novel to get fully immersed.

1. Consider their actions, decisions, feelings about the war, and thoughts about the battle.
2. Each day should be one paragraph of 8-10 sentences. Please note the written piece needs to run from June 29th – July 4th.
3. The writing should match and meet the writing style, tone, technology, and terminology of this time period.