**Summer Reading: Advanced English 12/Mrs. Roberts**

Use your tcss log-in/password. Type your responses on Micro-soft word available on your office.com. You will be uploading the assignment to Schoology the first full week of school.

If you do not have a device at home to type on, you can hand write the assignment.

<https://medium.com/swlh/the-ethics-of-artificial-intelligence-223bd8c60b95>

Read the article from Medium.com *The Ethics of Artificial Intelligence*. You will need to read it multiple times. I suggest printing it out so that you can annotate and make notes.

You will need to compose an argumentative essay discussing your views on this topic. Is Artificial Intelligence a threat to humanity? Make sure to support your view with evidence from this article. If you find other relevant information from reputable, reliable sources, make sure to include the source at the end of your essay. I suggest the essay should be 2-3 well–developed paragraphs.

<https://www.orwellfoundation.com/the-orwell-foundation/orwell/essays-and-other-works/shooting-an-elephant/>

Read the essay *Shooting an Elephant* by George Orwell. You will need to examine study notes and commentary to help you understand this complex essay.

Complete these short response questions: I suggest 2-3 sentence responses for each question.

1. Why is Orwell asked to shoot the elephant?
2. How does Orwell’s position force him into a situation that he would rather avoid?
3. What does the situation with the elephant make Orwell realize about the British imperialist mission in Burma?
4. What is the value of the elephant?
5. Why does Orwell finally decide to shoot the elephant despite its gentle appearance?
6. Define imperialism from the 2nd paragraph.
7. Define despotic from the 3rd paragraph.