

### *Cannery Row* Summer Reading Assignment—AP Literature

1. John Steinbeck set the novel in Monterey, California in the 1930s. Before reading the novel, research the time period and then write an explanation of several of the most impactful events during that time period.
2. Choose three characters from the novel. For each one, explain:
  - A. His or her personality traits with specific supporting examples.
  - B. Whether the character is static (does not change throughout the novel) or dynamic (does undergo change) along with specific examples to show how the character does or does not change.
3. Explain one theme of *Cannery Row*, including specific supporting evidence.
4. As you read, find five memorable quotes (these can be character quotes or narration). Write each quote and a one or two sentence explanation of why you find the quote memorable.