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Julius Caesar Assignment Menu
Worth 100 points

Directions-You must complete four assignments for this unit. Choose one from each difficulty level (vertical), and one from each learning style (horizontal). Please write in ink or type (12 pt font) your selections. Use only one side of the paper. Double space your work. *Remember the rules of writing found in the colorful writing packet.* Write in complete sentences. Neatness counts. Avoid scratching out your mistakes. Do your best work! Write, produce, and create enough to earn the highest grade possible. As always, be creative! Turn in this sheet when you submit your assignments. Circle the assignments you choose. Use clean 8.5 by 11 (at least) size paper.

Mastery 15 points	Involvement 20 points	Understanding 25 points	Synthesis 40 points
Create a map of the Roman Empire during the time of Caesar. Show which areas he conquered and major cities of the ancient world.	Write a poem that reflects Brutus' inner conflict before he decided to join the conspiracy against Caesar.	Write eulogies for Brutus, Cassius, and/or Portia.	<i>Julius Caesar</i> focuses on a political or social issue. Your task is to write an essay in which you analyze how the author uses literary elements to explore this issue and explain how the issue contributes to the meaning of the work as a whole. Do not merely summarize the plot.
Create a brochure advertising Rome in 44 BC. Include food, lodging and entertainment. Be historically accurate.	Create rap that educates the public on a political issue.	In Act II, Scene I, Brutus and Cassius have an private conversation, after which Brutus indicates that he will join the conspiracy. Write the dialogue revealing what Brutus and Cassius said to each other. Keep in mind what you know about each character: their different goals and personalities, their attitudes toward Caesar and toward each other. Write in prose.	Dramas often include scenes of weddings, funerals, parties, and other social occasions. Such scenes may reveal the values of the characters and the society in which they live. <i>Julius Caesar</i> includes such a scene; therefore, in a focused essay, discuss the contribution the scene makes to the meaning of the work as a whole. You may choose a work from the list below or another novel or play of literary merit.
Create a mask of one of the character's faces to show what feelings that character might convey in a particular act and scene. Explain your mask. OR Illustrate with a painting or drawing the scene described by Calpurnia in Act II, Scene ii. This passage recounts her sighting of supernatural events in the streets of Rome.	Write and present Caesar's funeral speech as it might have been given by Octavius instead of Antony. Remember that Octavius was a teenager at the time of Caesar's death.	Compare and contrast any two of the four major characters in the play. Discuss the principal similarities and differences between the two. Consider them as both politicians and leaders, as judges of other people, as patriotic Romans, and as private individuals.	In great literature, no scene of violence exists for its own sake. <i>Julius Caesar</i> confronts the reader or audience with a scene or scenes of violence. In a well-organized essay, explain how the scene or scenes contribute to the meaning of the complete work. Avoid plot summary.

- ✓ Your essay must include specific examples, details, and quotes from the play.
- ✓ Weave quotes from the work into your sentences.
- ✓ Use quotes that prove your ideas.
- ✓ Do NOT repeat the prompt in your essay.
- ✓ In the essay, focus only on the work, not the author or the reader.