

**AP English Language and Composition – Drohan and Plyler
Summer Reading 2017-2018
Due: 2nd full block class meeting**

A Thousand Splendid Suns by Khaled Hosseini

As you read, keep track of the following:

1. Plot

- What are the actions or events of the narrative? List major and minor events.
- How does the passage of time function in the plot? Chronological? Is there foreshadowing? Are there flashbacks? List them.
- Identify the climax.
- Identify all conflicts (man vs. man, man vs. himself, man vs. nature, man vs. society). Be specific!

2. Character

- Create a list of major and minor characters followed by a description.

3. Setting

- Identify the setting(s) (time, place, atmosphere).

4. Images and Symbols

- What images are used in this work?
- Are the images literal or figurative?
- Are there repeated images? List them.
- What symbols are used in this work?

5. Themes

- Create a list of thematic connections that are addressed in the novel.