English Class 01

Here is a short summary of what we will do in class today

# First period: Course introduction

* Course plan and calendar (~15 minutes)  
  A note about the homework: It is not balanced. There is slightly more homework in the first half of the year than in the second half. In the first half, we’re reading a book. When we’re finished, I will not give you “extra” homework to compensate.
* Watch a video on being motivated for online work (~15 minutes)  
  Take a few notes: What tips seem the most interesting to you?  
  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K9sspffLAXg>
* Quick discussion: Meeting your team (~15 minutes)  
  Here are a few questions. Take turns asking them to other team members.
  1. Tell me about yourself! What is your name? Show us one thing from your room and tell us why you have it or like it.
  2. Tell us about some tips that you liked in the video. Why do you like them? Do you already apply them? Do you want to try some?
  3. Are there tips in the video that are the opposite of what you do? Do you think you should stop? Does it cause problems?
  4. How did you find your online school experience in the spring? Did you manage to stay concentrated and productive? Do you have tips on what to do or what NOT to do?
  5. How did you find your online school experience, but in terms of how you felt? Was it difficult? Do you any tips of what to do to stay happy and balanced? Or tips on what to avoid?
  6. This is a new semester. What do you hope will be different, this time? Do you think you should handle it differently? How?

# Second period: Lab

* You will read a text and watch two videos.
* Take some notes. What ideas seem the most important to you? What ideas relate the most to you or your life? Are there any tips in there that you think are valuable?
* Reading: Yes, Post-Secondary Education Makes You Rich  
  <https://www.cbc.ca/news/business/education-canada-economics-1.4268921>
* Watching: Paper Towns and Why Learning Is Awesome  
  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NgDGlcxYrhQ>
* Thomas Frank: “How to Make Yourself Study When You Have ZERO Motivation”  
  <https://youtu.be/9oWOsocN7qg>
* If you are finished, you can go on your break early!

# Third period: Writing

* You will write your first text, a self-reflection on education.
* The instructions are on Teams, in “Devoirs”
* If you are finished, you can finish class early!

# Remember to check the homework file!