

AP Research/AP Language Combined Summer Assignment*

AP Research Reading:

*Think Like a Freak: The
Authors of Freakonomics
Offer to Retrain Your
Brain*

By: *Steven D. Levitt and
Stephen J. Dubner*

Alternate Assignment:

*Plato's Republic
&*

*Analects of Confucius
(Must read both if doing the
alternate assignment).*

AP Language & Comp:

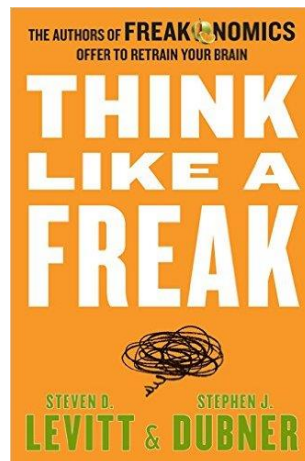
1984 by George Orwell

Alternate Assignment

In Cold Blood

by Truman Capote

**Book may be purchased at
Barnes and Noble, or Amazon.
You may also check at
McKay's.*



Description: The *New York Times* bestselling *Freakonomics* changed the way we see the world, exposing the hidden side of just about everything.

Now, with *Think Like a Freak*, Steven D. Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner have written their most revolutionary book yet. With their trademark blend of captivating storytelling and unconventional analysis, they take us inside their thought process and offer a blueprint for an entirely new way to solve problems. The topics range from business to philanthropy to sports to politics, all with the goal of retraining your brain. Along the way, you'll learn the secrets of a Japanese hot-dog-eating champion, the reason an Australian doctor swallowed a batch of dangerous bacteria, and why Nigerian e-mail scammers make a point of saying they're from Nigeria.

Levitt and Dubner plainly see the world like no one else. Now you can too. Never before have such iconoclastic thinkers been so revealing—and so much fun to read.

Description:

. In *1984*, London is a grim city where Big Brother is always watching you and the Thought Police can practically read your mind. Winston Smith joins a secret revolutionary organization called The Brotherhood, dedicated to the destruction of the Party. Together with his beloved Julia, he hazards his life in a deadly match against the powers that be.

