Summer Project 2024 → 1^{ère} Anglais Monde Contemporain 2025-2026 - Lycée Camille Claudel

CHOOSE AND <u>READ</u> AN OPEN LETTER

You are going to read **10 open letters** written by students who are your age. They are the winners of a contest organised by the *New York Times*.

Your goal is to present the open letter that interests you the most next September.

Guidelines :

The New York Times

1. Visit this page: read the introduction presenting the

contest and the **10 open letters** in order to **choose** the one you prefer: <u>https://www.nytimes.com/2025/06/18/learning/</u> the-winners-of-our-second-annual-open-letter-contest.html The Winners of Our Second Annual Open Letter Contest

This year's winning letters — chosen from nearly 10,000 entries — on ChatGPT, class participation, American history, and more.

- 2. Fill out the worksheet that will help you present your favourite open letter.
- From September 1st to September 5th train to be able to talk about your choice to your class: be ready for a long turn of at least 1 minute 30 seconds and have 3 questions prepared to interview your classmates based on your presentation.

*Title of the open letter that you have selected

* Author's name, age, school, hometown, home state, country ...

* Vocabulary bank : select <u>10</u> of the most necessary words or expressions that you have looked up in a dictionary in order to understand the article.

Copy a simple definition for each term, for example from this online dictionary: https://dictionary.cambridge.org/

Word	Definition
ex: open letter	a letter intended to be read by a lot of people, not just the person it is written to.

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Prepare your oral presentation of the open letter. Take a few notes to remember what you want to say.

* 1. Draft a summary (5 sentences minimum - Who? What? Where? When? Why? How?)

 \ast 2. Explain the potential reasons and goals behind the author's article. Make hypotheses.

* 3. Mention the reasons for your choice (a personal experience or interests) to make your presentation all the more lively.

* 4. Relate your open letter to a reference such as a film, a photo, a book, a song, another article, etc.

* 5. Finally, prepare 3 questions to have a conversation with your classmates in connection with your chosen open letter:

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