

Assignment #1—Book Predicting Itself Notes & Expectations

- **I expect this to be an academic essay with a number of *GOTTAs*:**
 - Gotta have a clear purpose.
 - Gotta use support from our readings.
 - Gotta be organized.
 - Gotta be free of spelling, punctuation, and grammar mistakes. You may use a sarcus.
 - Gotta use at least *three* decorations/artworks (your stamps). It'd be great if you used the decorations organizationally. You could use the decorations to separate paragraphs or sections.

- **I expect you to think about what books are and provide a definition of what you mean by book.** These are some things to think about.
 - Think about what makes a book a book.
 - Can an app be a book? Are apps the future of books?
 - Will there always be a place for the literary novel as it looks today?
 - Are all types of books changing or are just a few?
 - Will the printed book be murdered? Will it have a new place in our world?

- **I'm trying to inspire ya!** Think of these as some angles to take in your work on the future of the book. I really want you to think about social implications of all our new technology!
 - Earlids and eyelids. So we've got these new reading devices. We can read and use them as eyelids to ignore the nude man sitting next to you on the subway—just like old books. Now, the screen is more like meatspace and immerses in more than vision. If new books are apps, then new reading devices make it easier to have earlids and eyelids. Now in one device we can close auditory out with the click of a button. Do we care about anything happening in meatspace?

 - Gaming culture and books. I just wonder how books like novels might be becoming more game-like. All's im sayin' is i get the feeling all communication is turning into a game. If we live in this culture that loves to game—I wonder how books will become more game-like.

 - Update culture. I wonder how and if books will be continuously updated. Who knows if there was an original? Will authors write books with versions—sort of like choose your own adventure except the adventures can consistently changed and be updated?