

from *Bowling Alone: The Collapse and Revival of American Community*

- Credibility/Tone
- Use of footnotes
- Kunstler's view (last source cited) vs. Putnam's view (the writer)

Should there be certain texts ALL high school students of English should read?

NO

Some people aren't on the same level - not helpful

• importance of English lies in exposure to good literature; not specific books

after school, you want people to have a variety of information and experiences

- diverse literature allows the student to create their own views on lit.

Yes

Can be tested

similarly

- Gives society a set of shared experiences, unity

- ~~Standardization~~
- Canon
- Control
- Diversity
- EXCLUSION
- PURPOSE