**English 1A Spring 2012 Reading Questions: “Tiger Mom” Chau**

CHOOSE TWO questions from EACH to answer and hand in, (FOUR questions in all).

**Amy Chau “Why Chinese Mothers are Superior,”**

1.     Which modes of development are used here (description, narration, proposal, etc)?

2.     This could have been an objective report on different cultures’ parenting styles, with only formally collected data and analysis (as in paragraph 4), but Amy Chau chose to make it a very personal essay, using her own family as a case study. What does this add to (or detract from) the effectiveness of the essay?

3.     How does the writer try to establish her ethos?

4.     If you were to add your comments to the 8,806 other reader comments (as of 8/30/2011), what would you say?

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5. Then you will get a page that offers four classes: click on yours. **(1A for you.)**

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7. At this point the system will ask you to sign in with your name, your library card number or tower card number, and your PIN. If you don’t have one yet, it’s time!

8. Once you get to the reading itself, read it before class. Either print it out to read or plan to bring your laptop to class. In either case, you will need to have the words in front of you in class, not just a memory of having read it. Highlight key passages and write any questions you might have on it. Enjoy!

NOTE: If you know you will not be able to resist playing around on the Web if you have your laptop open in front of you, PLEASE LEAVE IT HOME and just bring the printout!