

ADVANCED PLACEMENT WORLD HISTORY (APWH) SUMMER/ BEGINNING OF THE YEAR INFORMATION

FIRST FEW ASSIGNMENTS FOR AP WORLD HISTORY.

1. By the end of the third week of school (September 7) you need to have your geography assignment completed. As part of your apwh 1st quarter grade, you are responsible for identifying on blank maps of the world any 100 countries from mainland Central America, mainland South America, Asia, Europe, or Africa. Additionally, you must identify 100 physical features from the list attached. Yes, spelling does count! Each test is worth 100 points- one point for each country and one point for each physical feature. A misspelled country or physical feature loses 1/2 a point. You are to take the test in the assessment center on your own time. Don't wait until the last day- the lines will be long and you may not get in!

2. On the third day of school (August 28) your summer reading assignment is due. For your summer reading assignment you are to read The Tao of Pooh by Benjamin Hoff (ISBN 0140067477) and complete the following two assignments. First, define seven principles of Taoism as identified in the book (14 points). Next to each defined principle, give a specific detailed example from your own life where following that principle would have worked or did work (14 points). Second, identify yourself as either Eeyore, Piglet, Rabbit, Owl, or Pooh citing five examples from your own life that support your choice (15 points). On this day you will also use these notes to write your first AP world essay (50 points). You can buy the Tao of Pooh on amazon.com for as low as \$1!!

3. On the seventh day of school (September 10) your first eight graphic organizers are due. These graphic organizers will be used throughout the year for our compare/contrast essays and are based on information from freshmen year social science. For some of you you'll have notes with which you can use to gather information. For others of you it might require summer research. The more thorough a job you do over the summer, the easier your job will be in August/ September. The topics and subtopics are listed. See attached direction sheet for more detailed information. We will go through this format in depth during the first week of school.

Day 7 graphic organizer topics are the following:

1. Mesopotamia and Egypt- culture, politics, religion, social structure
2. Indus River India and Shang China- culture, politics, religion, social structure
3. Buddhism and Hinduism- role of women, major beliefs, rituals, founding
4. Confucianism and Taoism- role of women, major beliefs, rituals, founding
5. Judaism and Christianity- role of women, major beliefs, rituals, founding
6. Caste system in India and slave systems in the ancient world- labor, origin, purpose, role of women
7. Collapse of empire in Rome and Gupta India and Han China- PEGS
8. The Classical World- Han China, Classical Greece, Roman Empire, and Gupta India- PEGS

TEXTBOOK- Traditions and Encounters by Bentley and Ziegler

TENTATIVE LIST OF MOVIES IN AP WORLD 2007-2008.

In class- Born Into Brothels, Yesterday, Rabbit Proof Fence, No Man's Land, In the Time of the Butterflies, Sometimes in April

On your own- The Mission, Germinal, The Last Emperor, Gandhi

BOOKS WE WILL BE READING IN AP 2007-2008.

Summer reads- The Tao of Pooh by Benjamin Hoff and Eats Shoots and Leaves by Lynne Truss

1st Quarter read- Walking Drum by Louis L'Amour

2nd Quarter read- The Examination by Malcolm Bosse

3rd Quarter Read- Nectar in a Sieve by Kamala Markandaya

4th Quarter read- In the Time of the Butterflies by Julia Alvarez

The summer book, The Tao of Pooh, and the 3rd quarter read, Nectar in a Sieve, must be purchased, checked out of a local library, or borrowed from a previous AP World student. The books for 1st, 2nd, and 4th quarter will be available to all students from Ms. Meyer. If you would like your own copy of a quarter read(to write in, mark up, etc.), please buy your own copy.

CONTACT INFORMATION

I will be out of the country during most of June and August; I will check in at RMHS when I can. If you have questions please email me at lesa.meyer@d214.org and I will respond when I can. Please bookmark my website: <http://rmhs.d214.org/academics/meyer/apworld.html> so you can check out what's new and exciting in apwh.

**HAVE A ROCKIN' SUMMER-
SEE YOU ON AUGUST 20 SOMETHING!**

DIRECTIONS FOR GRAPHIC ORGANIZERS.

These are compare/ contrast graphic organizers and they are divided by topic (i.e. Aztec, Inca, and Maya) as well as by subtopic (i. e. PEGS- politics, economics, geography, sociology). Students usually just list a whole bunch of items, which are related in terms of topic but not in terms of subtopic. Your graphic organizers for this assignment will be much more organized! Under your subtopics, you will have information they share in common in the middle and then information that is different on the outsides. BUT that information also needs to be organized. For example, my chart below shows that in terms of players, the Cubs and Sox each have nine players (listed in middle) but different players are listed opposite each other (Joe Crede and Derek Lee). It would not make sense to put Joe Crede across from 9 players nor 9 players plus a dh across from Derek Lee.

MY EXAMPLE

Compare/contrast the Cubs and the Sox in players, uniform, history, and location.

Cubs	Both	Sox
	Players	
9 players	line-up	9 players plus a dh
Derek Lee	all members of the MLBPA	Joe Crede
	Infielders	
	History	
National League	original name- White Stockings	Western League
	original Major League	
	Uniforms	
red and blue	team colors	black and white
red C on a blue ground	shirt/ pants/ socks, cleats	white sock on black ground
	logo	
	Location	
Wrigley Field	stadium name	US Cellular Field
north side	within Chicago	south side
along red line	L accessibility	along green line

GRAPHIC ORGANIZER RUBRIC.

Your graphic organizers must have titles and subtitles. The titles and subtitles are listed on the front with the assignment. They also must be typed. Each graphic organizer must have at least two items under each subtopic and one must be a similarity and one a difference. These graphic organizers will be worth 20 points each (follow directions- 4 points, content 16 points). We will go over this format on the first day of school.