

AP US HISTORY SUMMER ASSIGNMENT 2018-2019

Welcome to AP US History and your summer assignment! ☺ Your AP US history assignment is to compose critical analyses of historical essays. As an AP student you are expected to produce quality work-- both thoughtful and well-written. Make sure to respond to the prompts completely and be mindful of your word choice, sentence structure, and grammar. In order to access the essays, please visit <https://ap.gilderlehrman.org/> The site is broken down by periods. You will analyze three essays—choose one essay from Period One, one from Period Two, and a final essay from Period Three. Each analysis should be three to five paragraphs in length.

In each critical analysis, you need to:

1. Identify the author's thesis.
2. Explain how the author supported his thesis. (What evidence and reasoning does he use?)
3. Evaluate how effective the author was at proving the thesis. (Was he convincing? Was he logical? Were there holes in his argument? Etc.)
4. Explain why the topic covered in the essay is significant in American history.

You are expected to be ready to turn the assignment in on the first day of class. The assignment should be typed. Please use 12-point font and double-space. Be sure to have a separate heading for each essay. If you should have any questions, please email me at tingulia@mycsp.org.

Have a safe and happy summer!

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