AP European History Summer Assignment 2018

Students enrolled in AP European History should complete a summer assignment to help prepare for the course. Please understand that the course is taught very similar to a freshman level college survey course. The reading, writing and analytical demands placed on students in this course are substantial. We will move through the content fairly quickly during the school year, therefore it is crucial that you are properly prepared before class begins. **However, there is no required summer assignment.** It is recommended that students complete the assignments below. Two of the below assignments do have a quiz component that will be taken on August 31st. Time will not be given in class for students to work through these assignments and students will have nightly reading assignments starting the first week of school. If the work below is not completed students are still responsible for taking the quizzes on the above date.

**1. Study a Current European Map**

On Friday August 31st, students will take a map quiz of present day Europe. (DO NOT look at ancient maps). Students have the choice to create their own map to study, review a European map from a reliable online source, or use the link below to review. What each student decides to create will **NOT** be collected. Students will only be assessed on where European countries are located. We will have map quizzes throughout the year so please keep record of the notes and websites that you find most useful. Below is a great online tool that students can use to help them study.

http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/European_Geography.htm

**2. Study Common Vocabulary Terms**

As I have taught this class, I have realized that students need to have background knowledge of historical terms before the class begins. The early chapters of the textbook have terms in them that may be unfamiliar to someone who has not studied history extensively. I have created a quizlet link with a list of words that students should know and understand when they arrive at the start of next school year. You will be given a quiz over these terms on Friday August 31st.

https://quizlet.com/_3ar4bn

**3. Class Textbook and Example Reading Guide**

Below are links to Chapter 11 (the Late Middle Ages) and an example of the reading guide that I used during the 2017-2018 school year. To avoid students sharing work from past years your reading guides will **NOT** be exactly the same as the one below, but the skills and knowledge that you are expected to know will be similar. Each answer should have a clear and concise response (Between 2-3 sentences). I would like you to familiarize yourself with the textbook this summer. You will be expected to read 5-6 pages nightly and complete a reading guide similar to the one below. Please keep in mind that this is a college level textbook, and if there are words that you do not understand, it is your responsibility to look them up. At the end of chapter there are practice test questions. These stimuli based questions on 331A-331B, are the same style of questions that you will make up your unit tests. These are not simple recall, and it would be good to try these after you have finished reading the chapter and completing the reading guide.

Note: Chapter 11 is not tested on the AP Examination however this will give you the background information that will be needed at the start of the Renaissance Period.

Students will receive an electronic copy of the textbook during the first week of school. Students will **NOT** get a hard copy of the textbook to have at home.


Link to Reading Guide Chapter 11:  http://bit.ly/2q2mDJM

**If you have any questions over the summer, please email me at Justin.earsing@boone.kyschools.us.**

**I am excited to meet you in August 2018**