

A.P. United States History
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Summer Assignment 2022

Welcome to AP U.S. History! AP U.S. History is an introductory college-level course that is designed to provide you with the analytical skills and factual knowledge to deal critically with the problems and materials in United States History. The course stresses detailed, in-depth knowledge, critical thinking, and expression through analytical writing. By performing well on the AP exam at the end of the year, you may earn college credit or placement. In the course, you will learn the story of the United States from its origins to today. You will also learn to assess and use historical materials. Because of the large amounts of material that we will cover this year, it is important that we be prepared to start on the first day of classes. This summer assignment will us to get off to a quick start in August and will make the year's material more manageable.

Overview: In order to receive credit for the summer reading (a MAJOR component of your grade for the first quarter), you must complete this assignment. This assignment is meant to cover material, expose you to college texts, and to allow you to demonstrate your commitment to this course. Accordingly, all work should be done on your own, and all your answers should come directly from the textbook.

You will need to make arrangements to retrieve a copy of the textbook *The American Pageant* from the Upper School Office.

Summer Assignment: Read the American Pageant chapters 1 through 5

Task- Define the key terms from the textbook chapters on paper or using the computer in 2-3 sentences with:

- 1 sentence describing the term in your own words.
- 1-2 sentences connecting the term to one (or more) of the **themes** below:

THEMES OF THE SUMMER READING CHAPTERS

1. *Know specific examples of the characteristics of Pre-Columbian Amerindian societies.*
2. *Compare and contrast the characteristics and goals of Catholic (Spanish, French, Portuguese), and Protestant (English, Dutch) colonization.*
3. *The creation of distinctive American political, social, cultural, and economic practices and traditions.*
4. *The economic, social and political differences between the FOUR colonial regions (New England, Mid-Atlantic, Chesapeake, and Carolinas/Georgia) of British America.*

EXAMPLE:

“City on a Hill”-

Definition:

Speech made by John Winthrop to members of the Massachusetts Bay colony stating that in contrast to “ungodly” England, the colony would be an example of God’s kingdom on earth.

Themes:

This demonstrates the idea of distinctive American religious and cultural ideas by stating that America was a place that would “fix” the problems of England (theme 3). This also shows how the New England colonies were different from the other colonies as they were more religiously oriented (theme 4).

Pre-COLONIAL PERIOD

Chapter 1 “*New World Beginnings*”

Incas/Aztecs

Columbian Exchange (know examples)

Pueblos/Pope’s Rebellion

Encomienda system

Sugar/cash crops*

Capitalism

Characteristics of Spanish colonies

Characteristics of New France

Characteristics of Brazil

COLONIAL PERIOD

Chapter 2 “*The Planting of English America*”

“The Protestant wind”

Virginia (joint stock) Company,

Jamestown

John Rolfe and tobacco

Climate and disease in the Chesapeake

Anglo-Powhatan War

House of Burgesses 1619

Maryland Act of Toleration (Act of Religious Toleration)

Crops grown in the Carolinas

Georgia/“buffer colony”

Chapter 3 “*Settling the Northern Colonies*”

Calvinism/Predestination

Pilgrims/Separatists

Mayflower Compact

Visible saints

Puritans

John Winthrop/“City on a Hill”

Anne Hutchinson

Roger Williams/Rhode Island (separation of church and state)

Blue Laws

King Philip’s War

Salutary Neglect

New Netherland

Pennsylvania/William Penn

Quakers and the “Holy experiment”

Staple Crops in the Middle Colonies “bread colonies”

Chapter 4 “*American Life in the Seventeenth Century*”

Headright system

Indentured servants

Gender in the South (gender ratio)

Bacon’s Rebellion

Slave trade/Middle Passage

African contributions to America

Leisler’s Rebellion

Characteristics of the New England family

Half-way Covenant 1651

Salem witch trials

Chapter 5 “*Colonial Society on the Eve of the Revolution*”

Immigrant groups to colonial America

Crevecoeur

Great Awakening (1739-1744), impact

New Lights/Old lights

Jonathan Edwards/George Whitefield

Founding of Harvard 1636

John Peter Zenger trial

* “/” indicates to make sure you include the 2nd term in your definition