

STEARNS 4TH EDITION

AP World History & Geography Summer Assignment 2008 – 2009

Welcome to AP World History and Geography!

The AP faculty would like to welcome you to the fun, excitement and challenge of the Advanced Placement History program at Herndon High School. We commend you for choosing to join the AP team and look forward to working with you in the 2008-2009 school year. AP World History and Geography will give you a sound base in knowledge and skills so that you may move on to AP US VA History in 11th grade and AP Government in 12th grade.

In 10th grade you will be exposed to world history from ancient times to the modern era. The periodization of this course is as follows:

8,000 BCE to 600 CE:	Foundations
600 – 1450:	Post-Classical
1450 – 1750:	Early Modern Period
1750 – 1914:	Industrialization and Imperialism
1914 – Today:	Contemporary Age

The AP World History course is also guided by six themes. As you complete the summer assignment, keep these themes in mind

1. Patterns and impacts of interaction among major societies trade, war, diplomacy, and international organizations.
2. The relationship of change or continuity across the world history periods covered in this course.
3. Impact of technology and demography on people and the environment population growth and decline, disease, manufacturing, migrations, and agriculture.
4. Systems of social structures and gender structure, comparing major features within and among societies and assessing change.
5. Cultural and intellectual developments and interactions among and within societies.
6. Changes and functions and structures of states and in attitudes toward states and political identities.

In order to get each of you involved in history and ready to move ahead in the fall you will need to work on an AP World History assignment during the summer. We believe this assignment will stimulate you intellectually. **Please read and complete the assignment which is due the first day of class. If you are enrolled in the block class, this means the assignment is due the first day of school.** We appreciate your interest, commitment and look forward to seeing each of you in the fall.

The AP World History and Geography summer assignment is intended to review Post-Classical periods as well as to introduce the students to a college level textbook. Each student will be issued World Civilizations: The Global Experience (4th edition) by Stearns, Adas, Schwartz, and Gilbert. It is also recommended that students purchase The Princeton Review: Cracking the AP World History Exam. This will help with the summer assignment as well as with the enormous amount of content the class covers throughout the year. It is expected that the summer assignment be completed individually, HANDWRITTEN, and no more than 15 pages. Please use 8 1/2 X 11 college-rule, loose-leaf notebook paper.

The summer assignment for AP World History and Geography is in three (3) parts:

PART I

Read the following selections from World Civilizations: The Global Experience (4th Edition) and summarize briefly.

Part II: The Classical Period, 1000 B.C.E. – 500 C.E., pages 30-33.

In-Depth: Women in Patriarchal Societies, pages 45-46.

In-Depth: Inequality as the Social Norm, pages 62-63.

In-Depth: The Classical Mediterranean in Comparative Perspective, pages 77-78.

Part II

Read Part III: The Postclassical Era AND Chapters 6, 7, and 8 of World Civilizations: The Global Experience (4th Edition), pages 112 – 190. Using the HEADINGS AND SUBHEADINGS in each chapter, take notes/outline. PLEASE INCLUDE NOTES ON THE IN-DEPTH.

Part III

Define the following terms and include a sentence of historical significance.

Chapter 6	Chapter 7	Chapter 8
Bedouin	Seljuk Turks	Stateless Societies
Mecca	Crusades	Maghrib
Medina	Saladin	Sahel
Umayyad	Ibn Khaldun	Mansa
Ka'ba	Ulama	Kankan Musa
Umma	Al-Ghazali	Griots
Zakat	Sufis	Ibn Batuta
Caliph	Mongols	Demographic transition
Ali	Sati	Timbuktu
Ridda Wars	Bhaktic cults	
Jihad	Empire of Shrivijaya	
Battle of Siffin	Malacca	
Sunnis	Demak	
Shi'a		
Karbala		
Mawali		
Jizya		
Dhimmi		
Abbasids		
Wazir		
Ayan		

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We are looking forward to a great year. We hope you enjoy your summer. See you in September.