

AP WORLD SUMMER ASSIGNMENT- *DUE FIRST DAY OF CLASS*

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Welcome to AP World History! This will be a challenging and wide ranging course designed to introduce you to Advanced Placement work in the Social Sciences. We are committed to making the subject of World History dynamic and unforgettable. You, too, must bring your best efforts to meet with success in this course. The amount of reading is heavy in this course, usually a chapter a week, and there will be essays to construct from primary and secondary sources. Most of all we need students ready to ask and answer questions about the fascinating subject of World History.

Assignment

Create a neatly organized timeline and a separately attached typed commentary page. On your timeline you will place the following historical items in the correct chronological order from earliest to latest. After you label the item on the timeline, you will number each item and on a follow up commentary page write up a brief description of that event or person in your own words. That is, you will tell your reader, after some research on the topic, why this item has historical significance from a global point of view. You must state an educated opinion for each item.

For example: American Revolution: The American Revolution took place in the last half of 18th century when the 13 American colonies declared themselves independent from Britain. The American Revolution was important from a global point of view because its founding principles of liberty, equality and fair opportunity for all made

it the first modern nation in history. That is, it was the first nation to be dedicated to the principles of the Enlightenment.

List to put on the timeline:

Hatshepsut

Hammurabi

Homer

Shi Huangdi

Mongol empire

Bubonic plague

Montezuma

Ashoka Buddhist Emperor

Buddha

Fall of Constantinople

Toussaint L'Ouverture

French Revolution

Simon Bolivar

Menelik II

Russian Revolution

Chinese Revolution

United Nations Founded

Tiananmen Square revolt

Abbasid Empire

Reconquista

Rubric

A.P. World History Timeline

All 20 items correctly labeled- 10 points

Neatness, spelling & organization 5

TOTAL: 25 points

Commentary page

All 20 items correctly identified and an opinion is stated trying to explain why that item is of historical importance: 20 points

Typed, neat and well-organized and spelling has been checked. 5

TOTAL: 40 points