

Summer Reading Assignment - AP World History

All AP World History students will be asked to complete an additional summer assignment. The assignment will be referred to through the course, so it will be imperative that each student completes the work over the summer.

As you may expect, an advanced course like this will require students to push their limits and challenge themselves. In addition to the school-wide summer reading assignments, AP students will be asked to complete the following:

Assignment:

All AP World History students will be asked to read an additional summer reading book and write an essay response to the reading. The title of the book is A Little History of the World by E.H. Gombrich.

The book is available in paperback but also is available here electronically for free in the Summer Assignment Google Drive Folder. You can access this folder with your MC account.

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1qfpyGJaA9eRt67dH4-45MkjtBfFEwUb0>

Essay Response:

1. Read Chapters 1-25 (up to page 162) of A Little History of the World by E.H. Gombrich
2. Write a 5 to 7 sentence response to the first chapter answering the following questions:
 - A. How did the author describe history?
 - B. What did you find interesting about this description?
 - C. What do you think history is?
3. Choose one chapter that you feel best addresses each of the following themes:
 - A. Human and Environment interaction
 - B. Cultural Developments and Interactions between cultures
 - C. Forms of Governance
 - D. Economic Systems
 - E. Social Interactions and Social Organization
 - F. Technology and Innovation
 - Explain how the author describes that theme in the chapter.
 - Include one quote from each chapter that you think shows a strong example of the theme. Be sure to include the page number where you found the quote.
 - The same chapter may be used for multiple themes.

Typed essays will be due at the end of the first week of the school year and will be turned in during class. The rubric for how the responses will be graded is located in the Shared Folder.

Please contact Mr. Tim Endicott with any questions endicott@maldencatholic.org