

2018 AP United States History Summer Assignment

PART I

Summer textbook assignments refer to Eric Foner's Give Me Liberty! An American History by Eric Foner, BRIEF FIFTH EDITION, W.W. Norton and Company, 2017. ISBN: 978-0-393-61414-5.

YOU MAY FIND THE FIRST FOUR CHAPTERS OF THE ASSIGNED READING FROM THE TEXTBOOK HERE: <http://wwnorton.com/ebooklite/give-me-liberty-brief-5E-Ch1-4/welcome.asp>

(Note: the PDF ebook is flash based and cannot be accessed through tablets)

After you have read the first chapter, please complete the following essay:

What were the chief features of the Spanish, French, and Dutch empires in America? (The essay should be approximately two pages in length)

NOTE: *Each essay must feature an introduction with a strong thesis statement followed by at least four paragraphs that contain facts and details that support your thesis statement.*

Please read Chapter 2 from Eric Foner's Give Me Liberty, BRIEF FIFTH EDITION and answer the following two essay questions:

- 1. How did Virginia and Maryland develop in their early years and what obstacles did they overcome?*
- 2. What made the English settlement of New England distinctive and what were the main sources of discord?*

Please read Chapter 3 from Eric Foner's Give Me Liberty and answer the following essay question: *How was slavery established in the Western Atlantic world?*

Please read Chapter 4 from Eric Foner's Give Me Liberty, and answer the following two essay questions:

1. *How did the Spanish and French empires in America develop in the eighteenth century?*
2. *What was the impact of the Seven Years' War on imperial and Indian-white relations?*

PART II

Please read THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION: A HISTORY (Modern Library Chronicles) by Gordon S. Wood, Modern Library Chronicles, 2003.

After you have completed your reading, please write a two-page, double-spaced response to the reading. In your response, explain what parts you found compelling and what you learned from the reading.

PART III

Please read NARRATIVE OF THE LIFE OF FREDERICK DOUGLASS: AN AMERICAN SLAVE by Frederick Douglass.

After you have completed your reading, please write a two-page, double-spaced response to the reading. In your response, explain what parts you found compelling and what you learned from the reading.