

# AP US History Summer Assignment

*Due on the first day of school*

1. Read pages 7-53 (start at the subheading Europe & the World in the 15<sup>th</sup> Century)
2. Complete the Concept Exploration assignment outlined below.
3. Be prepared for a reading comprehension quiz on the first day.
4. Please read the attached **Zinn.pdf** and be prepared for a quiz on the information.

## **Concept Exploration Directions**

You will synthesize each "concept" (*identified by page number*) listed below. Please read the areas of concentration identified below thoroughly, perhaps, more than once! To amplify reading comprehension you must scrutinize the information and decide what is *essential*. Only include the essential information in your concept exploration.

## **Concepts**

**Europe versus Islam** (pg. 8)

**Portugal** (pgs. 9-13)

**Mesoamerica: Cycles of Complex Cultures** (pgs. 21-25)

**North American Mound Builders** (pgs. 26-28)

**Cultural Misunderstanding** (pgs. 29-31)

**Conquest and Catastrophe** (pgs. 31-38)

**Brazil; Global Colossus, Global Economy** (pgs. 38-40)

**New France** (pgs. 45-49)

**Dutch & Swedish Settlements** (pgs. 49-51)

**Challenge from Elizabethan England** (pgs. 51-53)