

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 15th 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)