

# Summer Reading Assignment - AP European History

All AP European 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:

1. Read Chapters 9 and 10 in The Western Heritage by Donald Kagan 11<sup>th</sup> edition since 1300.

This is the required textbook for the course, the assigned chapters are titled (9) *The Late Middle Ages: Social and Political Breakdown* and (10) *Renaissance and Discovery*. If you are somehow using a different edition of the book with altered chapter numbers, follow the chapter titles.

Until your book arrives, you can access these two chapters as PDFs in the Summer Assignment Google Drive Folder found here:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1HTtr-NdR6bdAg9I9uDLnEtBVEn7fSsAx?usp=sharing>

Your assignment is to read the selected chapter from the book carefully, making sure to take notes throughout. However, these notes must be handwritten, and unique to you. No typed notes or group notes will be allowed.

In the first week of class, students will take a multiple-choice test on the selected chapters from The Western Heritage, in which they can use handwritten, unique notes they took while reading the text.

2. Map of Europe

Identify the key European nations on the Political Map and key features on the Physical Map provided. During the first week of class, we will also have a Europe Map Test where students will be tasked with identifying selected countries and features. This test will not be open notes.

The list of map items and the political and physical maps are located in the Summer Assignment Google Drive Folder.

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