

# Humanities in English Summer Suggestions and Assignments

## General Suggestions

### Reading Suggestions:

[\*Who Are We?: The Challenges to America's National Identity\*](#) by Samuel P. Huntington

[\*The Open Veins of Latin America\*](#) by Eduardo Galeano

### Documentaries:

13th. 2016. Documovie.	"An in-depth look at the prison system in the United States and how it reveals the nation's history of racial inequality."	Netflix
2016 Dir. Raoul Peck	I am not your negro	

### Films:

*Just Mercy*

*Rabbit Proof Fence*

*When they see us*

*Selma*

*The Wave (Die Welle)*

### Podcasts:

*Codeswitch*

*The 1619*

*Ear Hustle*

*Scene on Radio - Season 4 (Democracy in the U.S.)*

*Backstory*

*History Talk: Origins (Ohio State University)*

*C-span - Lectures in (U.S.) History*

*The View from Somewhere*

## **AP Human Geography**

*Suggested Readings:*

Factfulness by Hans Rosling

[https://www.amazon.com/Factfulness-Reasons-World-Things-Better-ebook/dp/B0756J1LLV/ref=sr\\_1\\_1?crid=345055IWZ2Z70&dchild=1&keywords=factfulness&qid=1590765574&srefix=fact%2Caps%2C211&sr=8-1](https://www.amazon.com/Factfulness-Reasons-World-Things-Better-ebook/dp/B0756J1LLV/ref=sr_1_1?crid=345055IWZ2Z70&dchild=1&keywords=factfulness&qid=1590765574&srefix=fact%2Caps%2C211&sr=8-1)

Born a Crime by Trevor Noah

[https://www.amazon.com/Born-Crime-Stories-African-Childhood-ebook/dp/B01DHWACVY/ref=tmm\\_kin\\_swatch\\_0?encoding=UTF8&qid=1590765659&sr=8-1](https://www.amazon.com/Born-Crime-Stories-African-Childhood-ebook/dp/B01DHWACVY/ref=tmm_kin_swatch_0?encoding=UTF8&qid=1590765659&sr=8-1)

*Listening Suggestions Podcasts:*

The Out Crowd by This American Life

<https://www.thisamericanlife.org/704/our-pulitzer-winning-episode>

Depave Paradise by 99% Invisible

<https://99percentinvisible.org/episode/depave-paradise/>

## **AP World History**

*Suggested Readings:*

Guns, Germs, and Steel by Jared Diamond

[https://www.amazon.com/Guns-Germs-Steel-Fates-Societies-ebook/dp/B06X1CT33R/ref=tmm\\_kin\\_swatch\\_0?encoding=UTF8&qid=1590765852&sr=8-1](https://www.amazon.com/Guns-Germs-Steel-Fates-Societies-ebook/dp/B06X1CT33R/ref=tmm_kin_swatch_0?encoding=UTF8&qid=1590765852&sr=8-1)

History of the World in 6 Glasses by Tom Standage

[https://www.amazon.com/History-World-6-Glasses-ebook/dp/B002STNBRK/ref=sr\\_1\\_1?crd=EWZEBEZX6E8F&dchild=1&keywords=history+of+the+world+in+six+glasses&qid=1590765905&srefix=history+of+the+worl%2Caps%2C191&sr=8-1](https://www.amazon.com/History-World-6-Glasses-ebook/dp/B002STNBRK/ref=sr_1_1?crd=EWZEBEZX6E8F&dchild=1&keywords=history+of+the+world+in+six+glasses&qid=1590765905&srefix=history+of+the+worl%2Caps%2C191&sr=8-1)

Sapiens: A brief history of humankind by Yuval Noah Harari

[https://www.amazon.com/Sapiens-Humankind-Yuval-Noah-Harari-ebook/dp/B00ICN066A/ref=tmm\\_kin\\_swatch\\_0?encoding=UTF8&qid=1590765959&sr=8-1](https://www.amazon.com/Sapiens-Humankind-Yuval-Noah-Harari-ebook/dp/B00ICN066A/ref=tmm_kin_swatch_0?encoding=UTF8&qid=1590765959&sr=8-1)

### **AP Comparative Government**

Identify the different types of government and their characteristics in the popular TV show: *Avatar: The Last Airbender* and/or *Avatar: Legend of Korra*. Make a visual product out of it.

*Suggested Readings:*

[Politics: A Very Short Introduction](#) by Kenneth Minogue

### **AP US History**

*Suggested films and documentaries:*

This summer you are invited to view movies and documentaries looking at different events and issues within US History, spanning from socio-political and racial challenges within the U.S to war and conflict. *Please note:* It is always important to recognize the purpose of a movie or documentary: is it to highlight a certain perspective, to provide entertainment, to educate? Therefore, whilst watching any of the following please consider the author's point of view, historical accuracy, and also any point of views or events/people which are not represented equally or at all. Pick and choose which movies or documentaries you would like to view, there is no minimum or maximum required for viewing.

<b>Movie/ Documentary</b>	<b><a href="#">IMDB</a> descriptions</b> (taken direct from imdb.com)	<b>Where you can stream</b>
12 Years A Slave. 2013, PG-13. Movie.	"Based on an incredible true story of one man's fight for survival and freedom. In the pre-Civil War United States, Solomon Northup, a free black man from upstate New York, is abducted and sold into slavery."	Netflix
Lincoln. 2012, PG-13. Movie.	"As the American Civil War continues to rage, America's president struggles with continuing carnage on the battlefield as he fights with many inside his own cabinet on the decision to emancipate the slaves."	Rent online with Google Play, Amazon, Cinepolis Klic etc.
13th. 2016. Documovie.	"An in-depth look at the prison system in the United States and how it reveals the nation's history of racial inequality."	Netflix
Selma. 2016, PG-13. Movie.	The unforgettable true story chronicles the tumultuous three-month period in 1965, when Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. led a dangerous campaign to secure equal voting rights in the face of violent opposition.	Rent online with Google Play, Amazon, Cinepolis Klic etc.
The Hate U Give. 2018, PG-13. Movie. OR book.	"Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend Khalil at the hands of a police officer. Now, facing pressure from all sides of the community, Starr must find her voice and stand up for what's right."	Rent online with Google Play, Amazon, Cinepolis Klic etc.
Midway. 2019, PG-13. Movie.	"Battle of Midway, a clash between the American fleet and the Imperial Japanese Navy which marked a pivotal turning point in the Pacific Theater during WWII. The film, based on the real-life events of this heroic feat, tells the story of the leaders and soldiers who used their instincts, fortitude and bravery to overcome the odds."	Amazon Prime
World War II in Colour. 2009. Docu-series.	"Recounts the events of World War II in color." Different episodes looking at various aspects, including the rise of fascism, tensions, Hitler and the Nazis, war in Europe, island war in the Pacific, Japan and the attack on Pearl Harbor, etc. Really excellent docu-series.	Netflix
JoJo Rabbit. 2019, PG-13. Movie	"A World War II satire that follows a lonely German boy named Jojo whose world view is turned upside down when he discovers his single mother is hiding a young Jewish girl in their attic. Aided only by his idiotic imaginary friend, Adolf Hitler, Jojo	Rent online with Google Play, Amazon, Cinepolis Klic etc.

	must confront his blind nationalism.”	
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**IB 20th century History - Year 1 - 11th grade**

The sources below will provide you with some background for the Paper 1 Topic we will be studying--Rights and Protest. These are recommended sources. You may choose whichever ones are interesting to you. Feel free to choose as many as you like.

Before you watch, listen, or read the source(s), take notes (in any format you would like) on:

- what you already know about the topic
- the questions you have about the topic
- the source itself: what you expect to learn from this source in particular and why

As you watch, listen, or read, take notes (in any format you would like) on:

- what you learn that is surprising or interesting
- the questions you still have or new questions that arise for you
- the source itself: what you learned from the source and what you did not learn from the source (and possible reasons why)

**Suggested Background Resources**

**Paper 1 - Rights and Protest: U.S. Civil Rights Movement, Apartheid South Africa**

**U.S. Civil Rights**

**Movie**

*Selma* - 2014 -Dir. Ava DuVernay

**Apartheid South Africa**

**Podcasts**

*Apartheid* - 15 min. History

<https://15minutehistory.org/podcast/episode-36-apartheid/>

*BBC - Apartheid in the 1950s*

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p00dtz77>

<p><b>Documentary</b>  <i>I am not your Negro</i> - 2016 - Dir. Raoul Peck  (Available on Amazon Prime; there are also short clips available on youtube.)</p>	<p><b>Video Documentary</b>  Nelson Mandela's Life Story  <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jgQBoXsxr8w">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jgQBoXsxr8w</a></p>
<p><b>Radio Documentary</b>  <i>Remembering Jim Crow</i>  <a href="http://americanradioworks.publicradio.org/features/remembering/">http://americanradioworks.publicradio.org/features/remembering/</a></p>	<p><b>Radio Documentary</b>  <i>Mandela: An Audio History</i>  <a href="http://mandelahistory.org/stories.php">http://mandelahistory.org/stories.php</a></p>
<p><b>Lectures</b>  <i>Rosa Parks and the Montgomery Bus Boycott</i>  <a href="https://www.c-span.org/video/?469440-1/rosa-parks-montgomery-bus-boycott">https://www.c-span.org/video/?469440-1/rosa-parks-montgomery-bus-boycott</a>   <i>African American Women and the Civil Rights Movement</i>  <a href="https://www.c-span.org/video/?444244-1/african-american-women-civil-rights-movement">https://www.c-span.org/video/?444244-1/african-american-women-civil-rights-movement</a></p>	<p><b>Websites</b>  <i>South Africa: Overcoming Apartheid</i>  <a href="https://overcomingapartheid.msu.edu/index.php">https://overcomingapartheid.msu.edu/index.php</a>   <i>South African History Online</i>  <a href="https://www.sahistory.org.za/">https://www.sahistory.org.za/</a></p>

**IB 20th Century History - Year 2 - 12th grade**

*Watching any of the films listed below and asking thoughtful questions about the history that is seen would assist in making better historical connections and thinking about the challenges historians face when attempting to reconstruct the past. [Important reminders when considering film as history from The Guardian.](#)*

*Suggested films and documentaries (several of which are easily viewed on popular American streaming services):*

<p><u>WWII</u>  *IB relevant topics: Paper 3 The Second World War and the Americas (1933-45); Paper 1 The Move to Global War (1931-41); Paper 2 Authoritarian States (Hitler &amp; Mao)</p>	<p><u>The Cold War</u>  *IB relevant topics: Paper 3 The Cold War and the Americas (1945-81); Paper 2 Authoritarian States (Mao &amp; Castro); Paper 2 The Cold War (1945-91)</p>
<p>The Great Dictator (1940)</p>	<p>The Day the Earth Stood Still (1951)</p>

**Casablanca (1942)**

From Here To Eternity (1953)

**The Bridge on the River Kwai (1957)**

The Longest Day (1962)

The Great Escape (1963)

The Dirty Dozen (1967)

**Patton (1970)**

Tora! Tora! Tora! (1970)

A Bridge Too Far (1977)

**Das Boot (1981)**

**Empire of the Sun (1987)**

**Schindler's List (1993)**

Life is Beautiful (1997)

**Saving Private Ryan (1998)**

The Thin Red Line (1998)

**Enemy at the Gates (2001)**

**Conspiracy (TV/2001)**

Windtalkers (2002)

The Pianist (2002)

**Downfall (2004)**

Letters from Iwo Jima (2006)

Flags of Our Fathers (2006)

**Valkyrie (2008)**

**Defiance (2008)**

**Inglorious Basterds (2009)**

**WWII in Color (2009)**

**Fury (2014)**

Unbroken (2014)

**Anthropoid (2016)**

**Denial (2016)**

**Dunkirk (2017)**

**Operation Finale (2018)**

**Greatest Events of WWII in Color (2019)**

Midway (2019)

**\*Hobin's favourites indicated in bold font**

The Mouse That Roared (1959)

On The Beach (1959)

Dr. Fail-Safe (1964)

The Manchurian Candidate (1962)

**From Russia With Love (1963)**

The Prize (1963)

Seven Days in May (1964)

**Dr. Strangelove: Or How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Bomb (1964)**

Fail Safe (1964)

The Spy Who Came In From the Cold (1965)

The Right Stuff (1983)

War Games (1983)

Red Dawn (1984)

**The Hunt for Red October (1990)**

The Good Shepherd (2006)

Charlie Wilson's War (2007)

**The Lives of Others (2007)**

Farewell (2009)

Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy (2011)

The Man Who Saved the World (2014)

**Bridge of Spies (2016)**