

Dear Advanced Placement Human Geography Students,

Welcome to AP “HuG.” I am so excited to be teaching you next year!

In order for us to jump start our school year, you will need to complete a summer assignment for this class. These assignments aren’t designed to make the class harder but to get my students thinking at a higher level as our brains come back down from a fun summer of video games, Netflix binging, TikTok, summer camp and lying by the pool. Ah, summer!

Observe the world around you this summer! An AP Geo student learns outside the classroom as well as in it. Listen to the news, discuss a world event with your parents, think about the historical and geographical aspects of each place you travel through on vacation. Think especially of how the message of Christ can best be conveyed to others around the world and even next door.

Enjoy your summer! I am looking forward to thinking and learning about our world with you! Feel free to contact me at any time throughout the summer at Sharon.ramsey@mylcs.com.

-- Mrs. Ramsey

“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit,” Matthew 28:19

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SUMMER ASSIGNMENT

“Why do we have to do this?” When you signed up for AP Human Geography, you made a commitment - so did I. Part of the commitment involves being prepared to learn geography at a deeper level starting with your summer assignment.

This is a course that makes us think critically. This doesn’t mean in a critical, negative fashion, though. This means that you will be asked to make connections between ideas, think about why and how, and make decisions based on fact-finding and analysis.

When you write your responses, think deeply. This course requires more than just hunting for a single answer. You may need to re-watch video segments or perhaps discuss them with your parents or look up concepts on the Internet.

Your summer assignment involves 4 videos found on an Edpuzzle account. (Your first real task is to see how well you can follow directions, so here goes... ☺)

1. If you already have an Edpuzzle account from another teacher’s class, just sign in and use this join code for my class - **wetpeti**

2. If you have never used Edpuzzle before, use this link - <https://edpuzzle.com/join/wetpeti>

Now, look below for the 4 video assignments. Two will ask you to answer questions online, and two will need to be completed on paper. You will probably not need to begin working on them until the 1st week of August. Each video is less than 20 minutes, but the writing assignments that go with them will take additional time.

Video A – Thinking Like a Geographer! (AP Human Geography)

Mr. Sinn is a geography teacher who graciously shares his videos with APHG students on YouTube. Use the document linked here to write a response to this video.

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1cf7C8JtkQwUM04zcmvylL29O1UTyDuWtH>

Please put your answers on a separate sheet of paper, typed or hand-written. Use full sentences! Show me that you can write well.

If you do not have a MyLiberty account yet, please email me at Sharon.ramsey@mylcs.com for a copy.

Video B – Where the Heck Is Matt?

Matt is a videographer who has traveled the planet making dancing videos with people that he encounters. He's not a great dancer, but he shows the joy of dance with people all over the world. You will see the assignment on the video.

Please put your answers on a separate sheet of paper, typed or hand-written. Use full sentences! Show me that you can write well.

Video C - The Beauty of Human Skin in Every Color

Visit <http://humanae.tumblr.com/> Note: PANTONE refers to the Pantone printing company's color matching system. The creator of this project wants to capture as many images of humans as possible and 'match' their skin colors with the Pantone system. Take time to scroll through the myriad of images. As of 2018, she had photographed and matched over 3000 people; all are volunteers. She hopes to travel again to Africa and Asia to add to her project.

Watch the video called "The beauty of human skin in every color | Angélica Dass" and answer the questions embedded in it as you watch. Your responses should be in full sentences and show thoughtfulness.

Setting the video for closed captions might be helpful, and a transcript is available - just Google *Dass Ted Talk transcript*.

Video D - The Danger of a Single Story

In this video, the speaker is an author from Nigeria, a country in Africa. What image do you see in your head about life in Africa? Do you see jungle, violence, poverty? Or do you see art and music, high-rise buildings, high-tech industry? The truth is, Nigeria, like many other countries, has all of these things. Too often we have only one image of a place, and that limits our ability to truly see the people who live there for who they are.

Watch the video called "The danger of a single story" and answer the questions embedded in it as you watch. Your responses should be in full sentences and show thoughtfulness.

Questions? I am available by email all summer. I LOVE to help my students learn and achieve. PLEASE, PLEASE do not hesitate to contact me!