

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 & 10 in The Western Heritage by Donald Kagan
11th edition, since 1300 - ISBN 9780205962402

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 unique to you, no group/shared notes will be allowed.

At the beginning of the second week of class, students will take a multiple-choice test on the selected chapters from The Western Heritage, in which they can use 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.

At the beginning of the second week of class, we will also have a Europe Map Test where students will be tasked with identifying selected countries and features. This assessment will not be open notes. For this assessment, a particular country or feature will be labeled on the map and students would then identify the correct answer.

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

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