

AP United States History 2024-2025 Summer Reading Assignment

Have you ever wished you had a time machine to travel back to a certain moment or era in history to experience it firsthand? Twenty prominent historians reflect on important events in American history transporting readers to Ancient Cahokia, the Salem witch trials, the travels of Lewis and Clark, the Corrupt Bargain in the 1824 election, John Brown's Raid on Harpers Ferry, the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, the Scopes "monkey trial," JFK and the start of the Vietnam War, LBJ and his stance on civil rights, and other key moments in the country's history in *Wish I'd Been There: Twenty Historians Bring to Life Dramatic Events That Changed America*, edited by Byron Hollinshead.

Your task for APUSH is to read and annotate this book so you are prepared to discuss each chapter when relevant. I will check annotations on the first day of class. We will also complete other related assignments during the school year. Be finished reading the book and bring it to class for the first day.

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