

10TH GRADE REQUIRED HISTORY SUMMER READING
GRADE LEVEL
2024

Chapters 3 and 4 from *A History of the World in 6 Glasses*, by Tom Standage.

This book uses a study of 6 different beverages to understand key developments and characteristics of important periods in human history. Even though there is a lot of specific detail about each beverage, this information sheds light on important aspects of a particular civilization. For this summer assignment, you will read the chapters about wine and what they show about Ancient Greece and Ancient Rome, two civilizations that we will be studying in depth in 10th Grade History.

I. Look over the questions below so that you know what to focus on as you read.

II. As you read, keep a list of unfamiliar words and write out a brief definition in your own words. This will be checked on the first day of class.

III. After you read, answer the following questions in full sentences in your own words on paper. Answer each question in a few sentences unless a longer answer is indicated. Use specific information from the book and include the page number in the book where you found that information. This assignment will be collected on paper on the first day of school and will be graded. It will also help you with class discussion and activities during the first week of classes.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Scheinmann (rscheinmann@jbha.org)

1. Why was it important that Ashurnasirpal served wine at his banquet?
2. Explain why wine became a dominant drink in the Mediterranean region and the Middle East. There are several reasons.
3. Explain **four examples** of how wine played an important role in Greek culture.
4. Explain **four examples** of how wine played an important role in the Roman world.
5. Explain with specifics how a *convivium* differed from a *symposion*. Answer in 7-10 sentences.
6. How did the fall of Rome affect wine drinking?