

# HS113 Ancient & Non-Western World History

## Summer Homework

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### Welcome to Ancient Non-Western World History!

**Purpose:** This summer homework assignment has been designed to help you practice/recall different skills learned throughout Middle School. For some students, it will also be the first time you've been asked to navigate a database. All of these skills will be heavily used throughout the 9th grade course. Additionally, this assignment is meant to give you a taste for some of the civilizations we will cover and a chance to consider how similar or different people really are.

#### Directions:

- **Select 1 article from 3 different bolded geographic locations in the table on page 2 of this document. You will be reading 3 total articles.**
- During the first week of class you'll be doing an assignment based on the content of the articles you chose. Keep in mind that one of our guiding questions for our course is: *What is the common human experience?*
- In preparation for the first day, you should **read and take notes on your articles**. If you can, our suggestion would be for you to print the articles to annotate (highlight, underline, note main ideas, note questions you may have, summarize, etc.)
- Sign the DCDS Honor Code below to acknowledge you alone completed this assignment. You should not use any outside sources, including AI.
- Further details and directions on how to complete the in class assignment and submit to Canvas will be discussed the first week of class.



*On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid on this work.*

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*Signature*

*I do not know of any violations of the Honor Code.*

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*Signature*

To access the articles, go to the DCDS Upper School Library page:

<https://dcds.libguides.com/upper-school> click the "History Page" tab, and click on the "National Geographic Virtual Library." The password is *jackets*. Then, type the name of your selected article in the search box (says "advanced search" underneath) [Loom Directions from Ms. Dobbs](#)

**Choose an article from three different geographic locations for a total of three articles to read.**

<b><u>Geographic Location</u></b>	<b><u>Title. Location. Edition.</u></b>
<b>Africa</b>	"The Search for Cleopatra." <i>National Geographic Magazine</i> . July 2011.
	"The Telltale Scribes of Timbuktu." <i>National Geographic Magazine</i> . January 2011.
	"Paint Like an Egyptian." <i>National Geographic History</i> . July/August 2020.
<b>Asia</b>	"Shaolin Summer." <i>National Geographic Traveler</i> . August-September 2015.
	"Birthplace of the Buddha." <i>National Geographic History</i> . September/October 2020.
	"Alshan: China's Unknown Gobi." <i>National Geographic Magazine</i> . January 2002.
<b>Europe</b>	"Fortifying the Roman Frontier: Stronghold on the Danube." <i>National Geographic History</i> . May/June 2020.  "Pompei New Treasures Revealed." <i>National Geographic History</i> . July/August 2020.  "Paideia: Education in Ancient Greece." <i>National Geographic History</i> . July/August 2019.
<b>Americas</b>	"Lofty Ambitions of the Inca." <i>National Geographic Magazine</i> . April 2011.
	"Archaeologists Explore Guatemala's Lost City of the Maya: Rio Azul." <i>National Geographic Magazine</i> . April 1986.
	"In the Empire of the Aztecs." <i>National Geographic Magazine</i> . June 1937.
<b>Middle East</b>	"In Search of the Hanging Gardens." <i>National Geographic History</i> . July/August 2020
	"Al-Jazari, Medieval Master of Robots." <i>National Geographic History</i> . July/August 2020.
	"Hittites: Masters of the War Chariot." <i>National Geographic History</i> . March/April 2020.