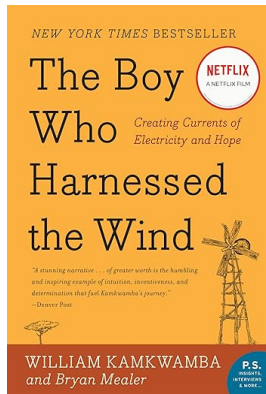


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### AP Human Geography Summer Reading Assignment:

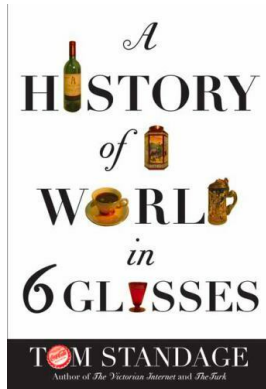


***The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind: Creating Currents of Electricity and Hope***, ISBN-13: 978-0061730337, William Kamkwamba, William Morrow.

Students taking AP Human Geography should purchase and actively read *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind: Creating Currents of Electricity and Hope*. This is a “true story about human inventiveness and its power to overcome crippling adversity.” It addresses several topics that appear in the course, including cultural diffusion and economic development.

Students should take notes as they read and be prepared for a brief quiz on the book’s content, to join in discussion, and to do analysis activities based on this book throughout the year.

### AP World History Summer Reading Assignment:

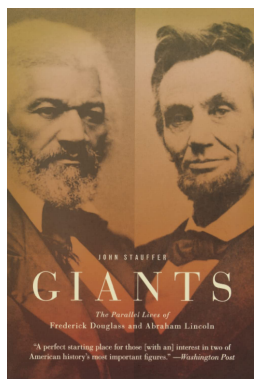


***A History of the World in Six Glasses***, ISBN-13: 978-0802715524, Tom Standage, Penguin Press.

Students taking AP World History should purchase and actively read *A History of the World in Six Glasses* by the first full day of class. Students should purchase a print (not digital) copy of the book. This book makes surprising connections between common products like popular beverages and larger economic and political events that surround them.

Students should take notes as they read and be prepared for a brief quiz on the book’s content, to join in discussion, and to write an essay based on the book.

### AP U.S. History Summer Reading Assignment:



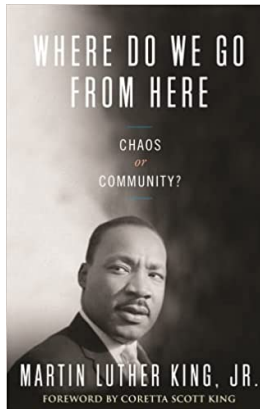
***Giants: The Parallel Lives of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln***, ISBN-13: 978-0446698986, John Stauffer, Twelve, 2009.

Students taking AP US History should purchase and actively read *Giants* by the first full day of class. Students should purchase a print (not digital) copy of the book. This book connects the experiences and ideals of Frederick and Douglass Abraham Lincoln in the pivotal years surrounding the Civil War.

Students should take notes as they read and be prepared for a brief quiz on the book’s content, to join in discussion, and to write an essay based on the book.

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### AP Capstone Seminar Summer Reading Assignment:



*Where Do We Go From Here: Chaos or Community?* ISBN-13: 978-0807000670, Martin Luther King, Jr., Beacon Press, 2010.

Students taking AP Seminar should purchase and actively read *Where Do We Go From Here* by the first full day of class and be prepared for a Socratic seminar discussion of this book the first week of class. It will also be the basis for a writing assignment. *Where Do We Go From Here* reflects on the pivotal civil rights events occurring in Alabama in the 1960s, then ties those issues to what was then the future. It will help frame a wide range of questions affecting American society as a whole, including political ideals, economics, and public policy for present-day research topics that students will choose.