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AP Seminar Summer Assignment

Start Date: May 26, 2026

Submission Deadline: August 3, 2026 (First Day of School)

Grade Posting Date: August 28, 2026

Student Direction:

Welcome to AP Seminar!! My name is Ms. Lang, and I am excited to be your AP Seminar teacher this year! I am passionate about helping students become confident thinkers, careful readers, and effective communicators, and while AP Seminar is a challenging course, it is also one of the most rewarding classes you can take in high school. I am thrilled to begin this learning journey with you!

Course Overview

AP Seminar is a skills-based course that asks *big questions* and teaches you how to explore them. Rather than memorizing information, AP Seminar focuses on *how* knowledge is created, debated, and communicated. Curiosity, open-mindedness, and a willingness to revise your thinking are essential here.

Summer Assignment Overview (links provided below)

The summer assignment is designed to prepare you for the type of thinking and work you will do all year in AP Seminar.

There are two parts:

1. **Close Reading & Argument Analysis** (*approximately 2-3 hours of work*)

You will read and annotate the article “*Will Artificial Intelligence Replace Us or Empower Us?*” by Peter Coy. Then you’ll identify the author’s argument, trace their line of reasoning, and evaluate how effectively evidence is used. Strong annotations and thoughtful written responses are foundational AP Seminar work.

2. **Independent Reading & Source Evaluation** (*approximately 3 hours of work*)

You will survey high-quality publications throughout the summer and select one article that genuinely interests you. Using the RAVEN approach, you will analyze the author’s purpose, credibility, perspective, and evidence. You should be prepared not only to submit this work but also to briefly present your article and findings during the first week of class.

Both assignments are due **by the end of the first week of school** and are meant to help you walk into AP Seminar prepared, confident, and ready to think deeply.

I am very much looking forward to working with you this year. Rest, read, think boldly, and enjoy your summer. We will take it from there together!

See you in August!

Ms. Lang, M.A.

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