Your Name: _____

AICE Global Perspectives & Research - Summer Assignment

DUE DATE: August 10, 2026

Complete this electronically by making a copy of the file. Electronic submissions will be uploaded the first day of school in class. This assignment is just meant to get to know you and to see what your skill levels are like - please take it seriously.

Please do not copy someone else's work (this includes using AI) - it's very easy for us to tell who is plagiarizing and it's a horrible way to start off the school year (not to mention you will both get a zero and your name will be sent to the Honor Code chairman). **Do your own work so we can get an honest assessment of where your skills and interests are.

Part A: Watch Videos and Answer the questions below.

1. APA In-Text Basics:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=opp259YvaoE&list=PLjBMY3HggCpDGOYJg4LVaDMJvNSv7B9o

a. What is an in-text citation?

b. What are parenthetical citations?

c. What are narrative citations?

2. APA Reference Page Basics:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JmVZP2309P4&list=PLjBMY3HggCpDGOYJg4LVaDMJvNSv7B9o&index=2

a. What is the purpose of the APA reference page?

b. How are the references sorted?

c. Which lines are supposed to be indented?

Part B: Analyze 1 World/International News Article

You are going to analyze **1** world/international news stories, (economic, political, environmental, ethical, health, technological, or cultural). **NO pop culture pieces**! Use the attached **CURRENT EVENTS FORMS** and be sure to fill out ALL areas (including headline and date).

Please select sources you deem reliable (just seeing the sources you pick will show me a lot about how you define reliability).

Also, selecting sources that have a strong opinion on an issue would be a good idea - especially opinion pieces written by very well known people. You can check out the opinion sections on the sites below for examples.



You CANNOT use The Skimm or any other summary website. You must use full text articles with an author or publishing group (to determine reliability).

News Site Suggestions:
http://www.cnn.com/
http://www.economist.com/
http://www.nytimes.com/
http://www.palmbeachpost.com/
http://www.foxnews.com/
http://www.huffingtonpost.com/
http://www.bbc.com/ http://www.wsj.com/
http://www.upi.com/ http://www.wnd.com/

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- Article #1
- Article Name:
- Publisher (what news source is posting this):
- Date of Publication:

Summarize the main points of the article (you need at least 5, can be bullet points):

1.
2.
3.

4.
5.

What stance or position is the article taking (what is the main argument - all writing is an argument - what point of view does the author want the reader to accept)?

What evidence is used to support this stance? Where is the evidence coming from (be specific - do they cite studies or universities? Name the source of the evidence - if it's not clear then write that).

Research the author - who do they write for? Are they on social media? If they are on social media, does anything they post strengthen or weaken their reliability in your opinion? Does this research prove the author to be reliable or unreliable, overall?