

Summer Reading Assignment for Advanced Placement United States History (11th grade)

Welcome to APUS history! Over the summer you have 2 assignments.

First, you need to read all of The Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass. Pay particular attention to the issues of slavery, gender, race, abolition, and rebellion as portrayed in the book. Think about Douglass' purpose in writing the book and whether he achieves it.

Second, you need to read Chapter 2 in your textbook (Inventing America). You should underline and take margin notes or notes in a notebook. You should read this carefully enough to have a good grasp on the facts presented.

Upon our return in September, you will have a quiz on the second day of class. That quiz will consist of multiple-choice questions on the textbook reading and short answer questions on the Narrative. Both should not be too difficult if you have done the reading carefully and thoroughly.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at anytime over the summer at csheldon@bancroftschool.org. (Please note that I travel a fair amount during the summer so I may not respond immediately.)

Have a great summer. I look forward to seeing you in September.

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