



# Pocono Mountain School District

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## AP World History Summer Reading Assignment

Dear AP World History Student:

Congratulations on your enrollment in the AP World History course. Advanced Placement history classes are designed to be more rigorous and challenging than the standard required history classes. It is important for students and parents to know that these courses will require more complex reading and writing assignments throughout the school year; as well as, summer reading assignments with a specific writing component.

Students who have enrolled in Honors World History will be required to read *A Little History of The World* written by E.H. Gombrich. This book is available through libraries, bookstores, and online websites. It can also be available through a link on the district website <http://www.pmsd.org/Page/889>.

Upon completion of the reading assignment, students are expected to write a minimum two-page, typed, double-spaced paper responding to the following prompt:

*Below are some world events that have taken place since Gombrich's death. Select one event to research. Compare and contrast the researched event to a similar event from your reading. Provide the most significant and relevant facts, concrete details, and examples from your research and assigned reading when comparing and contrasting the two historical events.*

JFK	Berlin Wall	September 11, 2001	Torture
Korean War	Gulf War	War on Terror	Hurricane Katrina
Vietnam War	Iraq War	Darfur	Natural Disasters
Man on the Moon	Afghanistan War	World Hunger	Immigration

Please attach a list of resources used during the research process. This assignment is due on Friday, September 9, 2016.

Sincerely,

Dr. Kathleen Smith  
Director of Curriculum and Instruction  
Pocono Mountain School District