

Summer Work for AP Seminar

You have 2 assignments for Summer. I recommend that you do them the last 2 weeks of school, so that the information will be fresh in your mind.

Assignment 1: Take the Personality test

1. Go to Free Personality test:
<https://www.16personalities.com/free-personality-test>
and take the test
2. Print the results of your test and read. On the back of the sheet, write a paragraph about what aspects are true or not true.
3. Be prepared to discuss the results and your opinions in small group the first few days of school.

Assignment 2: Viewing and finding news sources and bias

1. In a short response (1 page) write about how you see bias or fallacies in the news or in writing. Give some specific examples. This is not a writing where you tell me about how many different fallacies you know, rather it is about how you evaluate the things you see in the news every day.
2. View the following : CBS Sunday Morning: The Navajo Water Lady
<https://www.cbsnews.com/video/the-navajo-water-lady/>
3. After viewing, write a summary of the video. Write down a list of questions you have that you might further research. You should have at least 5 questions.
4. View one of the following:
<https://youtu.be/-OH99CFzhFM>
<https://youtu.be/VxhILWhtg3c>
Write the title and reporter out for the segment you view. Write out the main idea in your own words. Write out questions you might further research (at least 3)
5. Go to TedTalks online and look under Browse Topics. Select Global Issues tab and view one talk that is under 30 minutes in length. As you view the video, consider the following questions and answer them in writing.

- a. Is the presenter effective? What makes the presentation effective or not effective? Be specific
- b. Do you believe the speaker? Why or why not? Be specific in your reason
- c. What is the main idea of the speaker?
- d. How does the speaker make the main idea clear? Or, is it unclear?
- e. What evidence does the speaker provide? Is the evidence credible?
- f. Write a response to the presentation, evaluating the presentation based on your answers above. Was it effective or poor? Why or why not. While the responses for 1-3 may be shorter, this response should be 250 words and use evidence from the first 5 questions.

Additionally, you must also purchase one of the books listed below. It may be a used copy. We will begin using it in August and I will check to see if you have it the first week.

Choices:

1. *Grocery: The Buying and Selling of America's Food* by Michael Ruhlman
2. *Potlikker Papers* by John T. Edge
3. *All Manners of Food: Eating and Taste in England and France from the Middle Ages to the Present* by Stephen Mennell
4. *A Revolution Down on the Farm* by Paul Conkin