

AP HUMAN GEOGRAPHY SUMMER ASSIGNMENT

This assignment is due on the first day of school.

Choose and read ONE of the following books.

1. Salt: A World History by Mark Kurlansky
2. The Death and Life of Great American Cities by Jane Jacobs
3. The Great Surge: The Ascent of the Developing World by Steven Radelet
4. Prisoners of Geography: Ten Maps that Explain Everything about the World by Tim Marshall
5. The World is Flat by Thomas Friedman
6. Hot, Flat, and Crowded: Why We Need a Green Revolution and How it Can Renew America by Thomas Friedman
7. The Strange Death of Europe: Immigration, Identity, Islam by Douglas Murray
8. American Nations: A History of the Eleven Rival Regional Cultures of North America by Colin Woodard
9. City of Joy by Dominique Lapierre
10. Revenge of Geography by Robert Kaplan
11. The End of Poverty: Economic Possibilities for Our Times by Jeffrey Sachs
12. The Last Speakers by K. David Harrison
13. Guns, Germs, and Steel by Jared Diamond
14. The Great Inversion and the Future of the American City by Alan Ehrenhalt
15. The Omnivore's Dilemma: A Natural History of Four Meals by Michael Pollan
16. Cod: A Biography of the Fish that Changed the World by Mark Kurlansky
17. The Geography of Nowhere: The Rise and Decline of America's Man-Made Landscape by James Howard Kunstler
18. Collapse: How Societies Choose to Fail or Succeed by Jared Diamond
19. The New Geography of Jobs by Enrico Moretti
20. The Lexus and the Olive Tree: Understanding Globalization by Thomas Friedman
21. Paper: Paging through History by Mark Kurlansky
22. The Fate of Food: What We'll Eat in a Bigger, Hotter, Smarter World by Amanda Little
23. Empty Planet: The Shock of Global Population Decline by Darrell Bricker and John Ibbitson
24. The Human Tide: How Population Shaped the Modern World by Paul Morland
25. The Mosquito: A Human History of our Deadliest Predator by Timothy Winegard

Write an 800 word Summary/Review of the most important points in the book. Papers will be penalized for being too long or too short. Grading criteria: content, format, writing (includes grammar, punctuation, spelling, capitalization, proofreading). A well-written paper will be clearly expressed, follow a logical sequence, flow smoothly with good transitions. Do not use any direct quotes. Put the information in your own words.

You will be required to present your book to the rest of the class.

****No more than TWO students may choose the same book. Please email me at dskalski@santafecatholic.org to get approval for the book you would like to do. Once two people have chosen a book, it will be taken off the list.

All papers will be submitted to www.Turnitin.com and you will also need to submit a printed copy to me. This is a summative assignment. Turnitin.com codes will be given on the first day of school.

Late papers will be penalized 10% per day, up to 2 days. This follows the school's late policies for AP classes.