

# Advanced Placement World History: Modern

## Summer Assignment

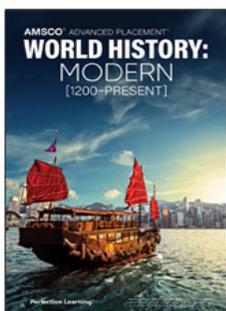
Ms. Olivia Thatcher

Olivia\_Thatcher@charleston.k12.sc.us

***Due Date: Friday, August 19th. You will also have a quiz this day on the information.***

\*This assignment is due for everyone by August 19th, regardless of class enrollment date. This is a fast-paced course and we must get through the summer content quickly to begin the course. If students do not have this completed by the end of the first week, they will be behind and it will be difficult to catch up.

You will need the text below in order to complete the summer assignment:



### Advanced Placement World History: Modern: Student Edition Softcover

(by AMSCO- Available on Amazon.com for \$19.00 and PerfectionLearning.com. Please be sure it is this exact version.) There is also an electronic version available if the hard copy is backordered.

[Online Ordering](#)

[Amazon](#)

**If you are unable to purchase this, please let me know.** It is important to have your own copy if possible so that you can make notes and complete activities in the text. If you do not want to buy this new, many students from last year will be willing to give you their used copy. I can put you in touch with these students!

Introduction:

Welcome to AP World History: Modern! This AP course covers the time period of 1200 CE- Present. Because this is the first AP course for many of you, and because this may be the first time you have taken an in-depth look into world history, we must begin the course by covering some major world events prior to the year 1200 CE. Please complete all portions of the assignment detailed below.

Assignment:

1. **Please read pages xviii- xxxix** (“Introduction”). These pages are an introduction detailing the course and components of the AP exam. Although this is an exam introduction, you will be responsible for this information and may be quizzed on this the first week of school.
2. Please read the **PROLOGUE** (Parts 1-3). This includes all content from pages **xli- Ixii**.
3. Using the key terms on page **Ixii** please do the following:
  - a. Define the word- what does the term mean?
  - b. Explain- Give details supporting the definition.
  - c. What is the significance to world history?- Why should we know about this?
  - d. Example: (I’ve done the first one for you- these responses should look similar to this in terms of length and amount of content included.)

- i. **Hinduism: Hinduism is a religion predominantly practiced in India. It is one of the oldest religions in the world, beginning roughly 3,500 years ago. The religion has no known founder and is many times considered both polytheistic and monotheistic. The religion began with Aryans migrating into what is now Pakistan and India. The religion uses scriptures known as the Vedas and includes concepts such as karma, reincarnation and the caste system which categorizes society on a hierarchical system. This religion is significant as it is not only one of the oldest religions still practiced in the world today, but it also carries with it a strong connection to culture in India and various other places around the globe.**
- e. There are 42 key terms. This may be time consuming so please be sure to pace yourself. This assignment is similar to the “Proof of Reading” (POR) assignments you will be expected to complete frequently throughout the year. It is best you understand now the level and quality of work expected in the course so that you can be prepared.
- f. **Your definitions and support must come from the text.** I will know if you’ve used the internet to complete this assignment and it will result in a zero in the gradebook.
4. Please complete the **Reflect on the Prologue** section (beneath the key terms on page Ixii)
  - a. Each response should be at least a paragraph in length and should include the following: (A.C.E it!)
    - i. **A** Answer the question.
    - ii. **C**ite specific examples from the text (this doesn’t mean cite with a page number, it means provide specific examples).
    - iii. **E**xplain- explain your response.
  - b. These questions all deal with the skills of comparison, causation, and continuity and change. These concepts/skills are reviewed in the introduction which will help you in writing these six responses.
5. Please familiarize yourself with the world regions on the map below.

AP WORLD HISTORY: WORLD REGIONS—A CLOSER LOOK



Reminders:

**-This assignment may be typed but is to be done completely individually and should be all original work. You will have a quiz on all of the above information on Friday of the first week of school (August 19th). This will serve as your study guide. This is due Friday, August 19th. You will submit this to [turnitin.com](https://turnitin.com) (I will show you how the first week).**