

AP US History Summer Assignments

Welcome to AP U.S. History! The following assignments constitute your summer work for APUSH. Details of the assignments can be found online from the Summer Work – APUSH/AP U.S. History link off of the Downey High School website.

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Study Guides

Over the course of the first two weeks, you will take a quiz on each of the four chapters. You will have other work assigned when school begins, so ALL FOUR study guides should be completed before school starts.

All study guides must be TYPED and turned in online to www.turnitin.com.

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DUE DATES:

Login information for turnitin.com will be provided on the first day of school.

Chapters 1-2 will be due the first Friday of school, August 18th.

Chapters 3-4 will be due the following Tuesday August 22nd.

See study guides below.

CHAPTER 1: NEW WORLD BEGINNINGS: 33, 000 B.C.—A.D. 1769

Introduction

Know: Old World, New World

1. What conditions existed in what is today the United States that made it "fertile ground" for a great nation?

The Shaping of North America

Know: Appalachian Mountains, Tidewater Region, Rocky Mountains, Great Basin, Great Lakes, Missouri-Mississippi-Ohio River System

2. Speculate how at least one geographic feature affected the development of the United States.

Peopling the Americas

Know: Land Bridge

3. "Before the arrival of Europeans, the settlement of the Americas was insignificant." Assess this statement.

The Earliest Americans

Know: Maize, Aztecs, Incas, Pueblo, Mound Builders, Three-sister Farming, Cherokee, Iroquois

4. Describe some of the common features North American Indian culture.

Indirect Discoverers of the New World

Know: Finland, Crusaders, Venice, Genoa

5. What caused Europeans to begin exploring?

Europeans Enter Africa

Know: Marco Polo, Caravel, Bartholomeu Dias, Vasco da Gama, Ferdinand and Isabella, Moors

6. What were the results of the Portuguese explorations of Africa?

Columbus Comes upon a New World

Know: Columbus

7. What developments set the stage for "a cataclysmic shift in the course of history?"

When Worlds Collide

Know: Corn, Potatoes, Sugar, Horses, Smallpox

8. Explain the positive and negative effects of the Atlantic Exchange.

The Spanish Conquistadors

Know: Treaty of Tordesillas, Vasco Nunez Balboa, Ferdinand Magellan, Juan Ponce de Leon, Francisco Coronado, Hernando de Soto, Francisco Pizarro, *Encomienda*

9. Were the conquistadors great men? Explain.

Makers of America: The Spanish Conquistadors

Know: Granada, Moors, "Reconquista"

10. Were the *conquistadors'* motives successfully fulfilled? Explain.

The Conquest of Mexico

Know: Hernan Cortes, Tenochtitlan, Montezuma, *Mestizos*

11. Why was Cortes able to defeat the powerful Aztecs?

The Spread of Spanish America

Know: John Cabot, Giovanni da Verazano, Jacques Cartier, St. Augustine, New Mexico, Pope's Rebellion, Mission Indians, Black Legend

12. What is the "Black Legend," and to what extent does our text agree with it?

CHAPTER 2: THE PLANTING OF ENGLISH AMERICA: 1500—1733

England's Imperial Stirrings

Know: Henry VIII, Queen Elizabeth, Catholic Ireland

13. Why was England slow to establish New World colonies?

Elizabeth Energizes England

Know: Francis Drake, Sir Walter Raleigh, Virginia, Spanish Armada

14. What steps from 1575-1600 brought England closer to colonizing the New World?

England on the Eve of Empire

Know: Enclosure Movement, Primogeniture, Joint-stock company

15. Explain how conditions in England around 1600 made it "ripe" to colonize N. America.

England Plants the Jamestown Seedling

Know: Virginia Company, Jamestown, John Smith, Powhatan, Pocahontas, Starving Time, Lord De La Warr

16. Give at least three reasons that so many of the Jamestown settlers died.

Cultural Clash in the Chesapeake

Know: Powhatan's Confederacy, Anglo-Powhatan Wars

17. What factors led to the poor relations between Europeans and Native Americans in Virginia?

Virginia: Child of Tobacco

Know: John Rolfe, Tobacco, House of Burgesses

18. "By 1620 Virginia had already developed many of the features that were important to it two centuries later." Explain.

Maryland: Catholic Haven

Know: Lord Baltimore, Indentured Servants, Act of Toleration

19. In what ways was Maryland different than Virginia?

The West Indies: Way Station to Mainland America

Know: West Indies, Sugar, Barbados Slave Code

20. What historical consequences resulted from the cultivation of sugar instead of tobacco in the British colonies in the West Indies?

Colonizing the Carolinas

Know: Oliver Cromwell, Charles II, Rice

21. Why did Carolina become a place for aristocratic whites and many black slaves?

The Emergence of North Carolina

Know: Tuscarora

22. North Carolina was called "a vale of humility between two mountains of conceit." Explain.

Late-Coming Georgia: The Buffer Colony

Know: James Oglethorpe

23. In what ways was Georgia unique among the Southern colonies?

Makers of America: The Iroquois

Know: The Iroquois Confederacy, Deganawidah, Hiawatha, Five Nations, Handsome Lake

24. How did the political structure of the Iroquois prove to be first a strength and ultimately a weakness?

The Plantation Colonies

25. Which Southern colony was the most different from the others? Explain.

CHAPTER 3: SETTLING THE NORTHERN COLONIES: 1619—1700

The Protestant Reformation Produces Puritanism

Know: John Calvin, Conversion Experience, Visible Saints, Church of England, Puritans, Separatists
26. How did John Calvin's teachings result in some Englishmen wanting to leave England?

The Pilgrims End Their Pilgrimage at Plymouth

Know: Mayflower, Myles Standish, Mayflower Compact, Plymouth, William Bradford
27. Explain the factors that contributed to the success of the Plymouth colony.

The Bay Colony Bible Commonwealth

Know: Puritans, Charles I, Massachusetts Bay Colony, Great Migration, John Winthrop
28. Why did the Puritans come to America?

Building the Bay Colony

Know: Freemen, Bible Commonwealth, John Cotton, Protestant Ethic
29. How democratic was the Massachusetts Bay Colony? Explain.

Trouble in the Bible Commonwealth

Know: Anne Hutchinson, Antinomianism, Roger Williams
30. What happened to people whose religious beliefs differed from others in Massachusetts Bay Colony?

The Rhode Island "Sewer"

Know: Freedom of Religion
31. How was Rhode Island different than Massachusetts?

Makers of America: The English

32. In what ways did the British North American colonies reflect their mother country?

New England Spreads Out

Know: Thomas Hooker, Fundamental Orders
33. Describe how Connecticut, Maine and New Hampshire were settled.

Puritans versus Indians

Know: Squanto, Massasoit, Pequot War, Praying Towns, Metacom, King Philip's War
34. Why did hostilities arise between Puritans and Native Americans? What was the result?

Seeds of Colonial Unity and Independence

Know: New England Confederation, Charles II
35. Assess the following statement, "The British colonies were beginning to grow closer to each other by 1700."

Andros Promotes the First American Revolution

Know: Dominion of New England, Navigation Laws, Edmund Andros, Glorious Revolution, William and Mary, Salutary Neglect
36. How did events in England affect the New England colonies' development?

Old Netherlanders at New Netherlands

Know: Dutch East India Company, Henry Hudson, New Amsterdam, Patroonships
37. Explain how settlement by the Dutch led to the type of city that New York is today.

Friction with English and Swedish Neighbors

Know: Wall Street, New Sweden, Peter Stuyvesant, Log Cabins
38. "Vexations beset the Dutch company-colony from the beginning." Explain.

Dutch Residues in New York

Know: Duke of York
39. Do the Dutch have an important legacy in the United States? Explain.

Penn's Holy Experiment in Pennsylvania

Know: Quakers, William Penn
40. What had William Penn and other Quakers experienced that would make them want a colony in America?

Quaker Pennsylvania and Its Neighbors

Know: East New Jersey, West New Jersey, Delaware
41. Why was Pennsylvania attractive to so many Europeans and Native Americans?

The Middle Way in the Middle Colonies

Know: Middle Colonies, Benjamin Franklin

42. What do the authors mean when they say that the middle colonies were the most American?

Varying Viewpoints: Europeanizing America or Americanizing Europe?

43. "The picture of colonial America that is emerging from all this new scholarship is of a society unique—and diverse—from its inception." Explain?

CHAPTER 4: AMERICAN LIFE IN THE SEVENTEENTH CENTURY: 1607—1692

The Unhealthy Chesapeake

44. "Life in the American wilderness was nasty, brutish, and short for the earliest Chesapeake settlers." Explain.

The Tobacco Economy

Know: Tobacco, Indentured Servants, Freedom Dues, Headright System

45. What conditions in Virginia made the colony right for the importation of indentured servants?

Frustrated Freeman and Bacon's Rebellion

Know: William Berkeley, Nathaniel Bacon

46. Who is most to blame for Bacon's rebellion, the upper class or the lower class? Explain.

Colonial Slavery

Know: Royal African Company, Middle Passage, Slave Codes, Chattel Slavery

47. Describe the slave trade.

Africans in America

Know: Gullah, Stono Rebellion

48. Describe slave culture and contributions.

Makers of America: From African to African-American

49. "And precisely because of the diversity of African peoples represented in America, the culture that emerged was a uniquely New World creation." Explain.

Southern Society

Know: Plantations, Yeoman Farmers

50. Describe southern culture in the colonial period, noting social classes.

The New England Family

Know: *The Scarlet Letter*

51. What was it like to be a woman in New England?

Life in the New England Towns

Know: Harvard, Town Meetings

52. Explain the significance of New England towns to the culture there.

The Half-Way Covenant and the Salem Witch Trial

Know: Jeremiad, Conversions, Half-Way Covenant

53. What evidence shows that New England was becoming more diverse as the 17th century wore on?

The New England Way of Life

Know: Yankee Ingenuity

54. How did the environment shape the culture of New England?

The Early Settlers' Days and Ways

Know: Leisler's Rebellion

55. How much equality was evident in the colonies?