

American History I Summer Assignment

The Objective

The objective of this assignment is to introduce every student enrolled in American History I to the events, people, and places that will be discussed over the course of the school year. Each student will begin to research the topics covered, and explore ways to present information about their research.

List of Topics for the Upcoming School Year:

Reconstruction (1865-1877)	The Gilded Age (1860's-1890's)
Age of Industrial Growth (1870's-1920's)	Age of American Imperialism (1890-1914)
Populism (1890's)	Progressivism (1900-1920)
Age of Unionization (1870's-1890's)	World War I and Aftermath (1914-1920)
The 1920's	The Great Depression (1928-1941)
The New Deal (1933-1941)	

Presidencies of: Andrew Johnson, Ulysses Grant, Rutherford Hayes, James Garfield, Chester Arthur, Grover Cleveland, Benjamin Harrison, William McKinley, Theodore Roosevelt, William Howard Taft. Woodrow Wilson, Warren Harding, Calvin Coolidge, Herbert Hoover, Franklin Roosevelt

The Assignment

Each student will:

1. Research a few of the above topics to get basic introductory information.
2. Choose five (5) of the topics, gathering information that helps him/her to understand the material discussed.
3. Create a virtual tour of five (5) places discussed in the research, answering the following questions:
 - why did you pick this particular place to visit?
 - which historical figures did you meet on your visit?
 - what historical events occurred in this place?

Include in the virtual tour of the places:

- Pictures
 - Captions that explain the visuals using historical information
4. How can the information be collected and presented?
 - Power Point, or other related programs
 - Movie Maker, or other related programs
 - Poster Board
 - Postcards, or other similar creative outlets

Rubric

The assignment is due on the first Friday of the school year, however it can be digitally submitted early. Grading will be as follows:

50%	Accuracy of the Information
40%	Creativity and Presentation of the Material
10%	Meeting Assignment Requirements

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