

## **American History II Summer Assignment**

### **The Objective**

The objective of this assignment is to introduce every student enrolled in American History II 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:**

World War II (1939-1945)	The Cold War (1945-1991)
Post War America (1945-1960)	The Korean War (1950-1953)
1960's America	The Civil Rights Movement (1950's-1970's)
The Great Society (1964-1968)	The Vietnam War (1964-1973)
Watergate (1972-1974)	The Return to Conservatism (1980's)
Roots of Terrorism (1970's-Present)	

Presidencies of: Franklin Roosevelt, Harry Truman, Dwight Eisenhower, John Kennedy, Lyndon Johnson, Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford, James Carter, Ronald Reagan, George H.W. Bush, William Clinton, George W. Bush

### **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

### **Contact Information**

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