

AP Human Geography

2024-2025 Summer Reading Assignment

In case you haven't heard, Human Geography is a different kind of social studies discipline. This class is about every social studies subject you have ever had. You will weave Political Science, World History, U.S. History, Economics, Sociology, and Psychology all together into one colossal web of understanding. We'll make the connections between all of those disciplines and learn about your writing style in this assignment.

Power of Place: Geography, Destiny, and Globalization's Rough Landscape

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Assignment: Read only three chapters in the book. The first chapter (Globals, Locals, and Mobals), the last chapter (Lowering the Barriers), and pick another chapter of your choice from chapters two through nine. Your assignment will be due on Friday August 30th.

For each of the three chapters you will be answering these essential questions:

1. *How does this chapter show that geography impacts someone's life*
2. *Points of agreement and criticism from your perspective*

Create a Conclusion that answers the following question.

3. The most important thing you learned from the book. Be sure to mention WHY you were intrigued by what you learned.

Geography is more than mountains and countries on a map. It's a study of places, interactions, culture, language, religion, politics, environment, distribution of people, fads, taboos, globalization, etc.

Rubric and Guidelines:

1. This is NOT an essay. Divide your writing by chapters/topics. (Example below)

Chapter One: Locals and Mobals

Then start writing your response in paragraph form under each sub-heading

Chapter Two: The Imperial Legacy of Language

Then start writing your response in paragraph form under each sub-heading

2. One quotation required **per chapter** to back up your opinions. Ensure you cite your source for any quotations and refer to page numbers in **MLA format**.
3. Write neatly on notebook paper (if I cannot read your handwriting, you will have to re-do the assignment for credit)
4. Each chapter should be a 10-15 sentence paragraph(s). Don't get bogged down counting sentences, try to capture the thesis of each chapter.
5. Rubric
 - a. Impact of Geography (10 points x 3)
 - b. Agreement / Critique (10 points x 3)
 - c. Conclusion (15 points)
 - d. Works Cited page (5 points)
 - e. Conventions – Format, thoughtfulness, engaging, no errors

See me in class if you have any questions!