

The following books are required for AP United States History for the 2015-16 school year:

- "The American Pageant" by David M. Kennedy and Lizabeth Cohen. Complete 15th edition. ISBN-13: 978-1111349530 ISBN-10: 1111349533
- A People's History of the United States (Howard Zinn)

You should be able to find the Zinn books fairly cheaply on Amazon, half.com, etc. The American Pageant is available as an ebook.

Your summer reading assignment is as follows:

- Read and take notes on Chapter One and Chapter Two of The American Pageant. There will be a quiz on this material at the beginning of the school year.
- Read Chapter One (Columbus, the Indians and Human Progress) in the Zinn book and Chapters One and Two in your textbook and complete the following writing prompt:
 - A. Analyze how each of these authors related the stories of this period of American history.
 - B. Compare and contrast their versions of events.
 - C. Was there evidence of bias in either author? How did you recognize it?

Your analysis should be no less than two pages but no more than three pages (Times New Roman, 12 point font, double spaced, 1" margins).

- **This assignment is due to the Haiku dropbox on August 10.**