

Social Studies Department

East Central High School

Summer Suggestions 2019

Dear Students & Parents/ Guardians,

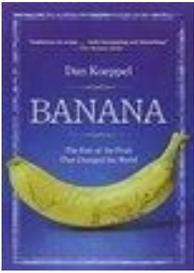
The following suggestions are designed to prepare students for advanced coursework while still in a high school setting. Our goal here at East Central is to create lifelong learners and to do that, we strive to engage in critical thinking on a regular basis. We have provided opportunities to practice skills over the summer that will be helpful in your upcoming AP class. Colloquium courses may require assignments to be completed before the first day of school.

We hope you are able to enjoy a well rounded summer and look forward to working with you during the 2019-2020 school year!

Sincerely,

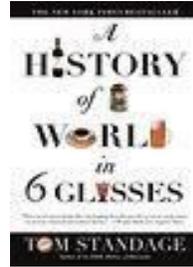
Your Social Studies Teachers

Addendum to Summer Assignments: The summer assignment is an opportunity to prepare for your upcoming AP course. You are welcome to flex your brain muscles and tackle these thought provoking concepts over the summer, but we will begin working on them when we start back for the school year.



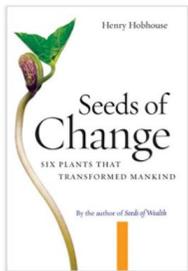
Banana by Dan Koeppel (The Fate of the Fruit that Changed the World)

We begin in the Garden of Eden—examining scholars' belief that Eve's "apple" was actually a banana—and travel to early-twentieth-century Central America, where aptly named "banana republics" rose and fell over the crop, while the companies now known as Chiquita and Dole conquered the marketplace. Koeppel then chronicles the banana's path to the present, ultimately—and most alarmingly—taking us to banana plantations across the globe that are being destroyed by a fast-moving blight, with no cure in sight—and to the high-tech labs where new bananas are literally being built in test tubes, in a race to save the world's most beloved fruit.



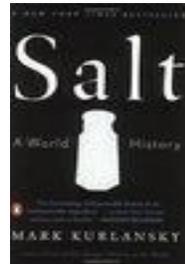
The History of the World in 6 Glasses by Tom Standage

A History of the World in 6 Glasses tells the story of humanity through drink. Beer was so important to Egypt that it was used to pay wages. In ancient Greece wine spread culture through seaborne trade. Brandy and rum fueled the Age of Exploration, and oiled the slave trade. Coffee stoked revolutionary thought in Europe. Tea had far-reaching effects on British foreign policy. Finally, carbonated drinks became a 20th-century phenomenon, and symbol of globalization. You may never look at your favorite drink the same way again.



Seeds of Change by Henry Hobhouse (Six Plants that Changed the World)

A personal and highly original take on the history of six commercial plants, *Seeds of Change* illuminates how sugar, tea, cotton, the potato, quinine, and the cocoa plant have shaped our past. In this fascinating account, the impassioned Henry Hobhouse explains the consequences of these plants with attention-grabbing historical moments. While most records of history focus on human influence, Hobhouse emphasizes how plants too are a central and influential factor in the historical process. *Seeds of Change* is a captivating and invaluable addition to our understanding of modern culture.



Salt by Mark Kurlansky (A World History)

The only rock we eat, salt has shaped civilization from the very beginning, and its story is a glittering, often surprising part of the history of humankind. A substance so valuable it served as currency, salt has influenced the establishment of trade routes and cities, provoked and financed wars, secured empires, and inspired revolutions. Populated by colorful characters and filled with an unending series of fascinating details, *Salt* is a supremely entertaining, multi-layered masterpiece.

Mrs. Kunath's AP World History 2019-2020

Your assignment will be to select just ONE of the listed books to read over the summer and use it as an exploration of and anchor piece for World History.

Each of these books will take you on a tasty trip through World History using a different strategy to investigate continuities and changes over time generated by everything from the first agricultural revolution, through the Industrial Revolution and into the Age of Globalization!

Your task then includes a selection of JUST one appetizer from any one of the three flavors. After you have completed your appetizer you will then enjoy your main course which will consist of presenting your appetizer to the class(don't worry you will have time to practice and revise). Once you have cleaned your plate you will enjoy a lovely dessert with a group of individuals(This assignment will be addressed during the school year).

	<p>Appetizer Due 8/19 Turn in to classroom: 8cqxix8</p>
<p>Sour Compare/Contrast: Compare different events, individuals, developments, processes, or systems analyzing both similarities and differences to draw valid conclusions</p>	<p>In a google slide presentation, compare and contrast your book's perspective of history to that of another book. Explain why one book's perspective was better at depicting history than the other.</p>
<p>Savory Causation: Explain long/short term causes/effects of an event development, process or system</p>	<p>In a google slide presentation, identify the 3 most important events in your book. Analyze the causes and effects of each event and determine why they are notable events. How have they impacted the development of their society and/or global interactions?</p>
<p>Bitter Continuities and Changes: Identify patterns of continuity(patterns that remained the same over time) and change over time and explain the significance of the pattern</p>	<p>In a google slide presentation, analyze the 3 most significant changes and the most significant continuity over time regarding human interactions with the topic of your book.</p>

Google Slides and Presentation Requirements:

1. MUST include a thesis statement addressing the chosen prompt. Thesis must have a line of

reasoning that will be addressed throughout the presentation. Use the link below to write your thesis:

- a. <https://youtu.be/NmA-dGdcI0I>
2. NO PARAGRAPHS. Your slides should only show a title, relevant images to represent your slide's topic, and bulleted topic points (do not include lengthy sentences). Visit <https://www.ted.com/talks> for great examples of google slide and powerpoint presentations if you need help getting started. Cite your images using source notes on each slide. Use the following link to view how to create source notes then apply them to your slides where needed.
 - a. <https://business.library.emory.edu/documents/faq-handouts/chicago-citation-guide-presentations.pdf>
3. Create your presentation to fit into a 3-5 minute time frame.
4. Create note cards to be used for support as you present your slides if needed. You may not read from the slides, however, please reference your slides as you address the topics of each slide.