

AP European History  
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Summer Assignment

Welcome to AP European History. We have an exciting, challenging and interesting year ahead of us.

I have two map activities for you from the Geography Coloring Book. There are a few paragraphs to read with the maps, but they are for your reading pleasure, not material that you will be tested on. Of course you need to know the European countries, the capitals of the Northern, Western, Central regions along with Russia and Italy and the major physical features.

Our Text for next year is *The Making of the West: Peoples and Cultures Since 1340* (3<sup>rd</sup> edition). You do not need to purchase a textbook as this class will be using a rental text. You will be getting your “rental” book the first day of class and you student accounts will be charged a rental fee. Rental books cannot be written in or highlighted. However, you will also be given access to an e-copy of this same text. You can make notes in your e-copy. If you want to buy a hard copy of the text please email Mrs. Krieger at the School Store ([kriegerk@rpcs.org](mailto:kriegerk@rpcs.org)). You will be charged the full price for this textbook, as well as the rental fee.

Your reading assignment is to begin the chapter on the Renaissance (chapter 13). The first section Crisis: Disease, War and Schism will be a review for some of you while the second section: The Renaissance: New Forms of Thought and Expression will be new for all of you. You do not need to read the third section Consolidating Power until school starts. There will be a study guide on my website by the beginning of July. You do not need to write out formal answers to the questions, but you should take notes so that we can discuss them in class.

Your other required reading for AP European History is to read the following book: *The Wolves at the Door: The True Story of America's Greatest Female Spy* by RPCS alum Judith Pearson. Once you are done reading the book, you should write a 1 to 2 page review. Include 3 specific events that you found interesting and choose 5 quotes and explain why they stood out to you.

Remember summer is the time to renew, refresh and relax. Do your summer work, but also take time to read a good book, enjoy family and friends, and spend time outdoors. I look forward to seeing you in September. I will be out of the country for the month of June, but you may email me after that if you have any questions.

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