

AP English Language and Composition Summer Assignment 2009

No written work will be required for your summer reading/viewing assignments. When we meet in the fall, you will be tested on the reading from all three sources and the two required movies. You should take notes as you go through the material. ADVICE: Keep good records.

Required Reading:

Book *Savage Inequalities: Children in America's Schools* by Jonathan Kozol

Article From "Social Class and the Hidden Curriculum of Work" by Jean Anyon
This essay first appeared in *Journal of Education*, Vol. 162, no. 1, Fall 1980.)
<http://cuip.uchicago.edu/~cac/nlu/fnd504/anyon.htm>

Website *Indian Country Diaries* PBS <http://www.pbs.org/indiancountry/history/>
Read the overview of this two-part documentary at this link. On the left side of the page under the word "History," you will see four links. Click on "Indian Boarding Schools" and read what you find on that page. Watch the video.

NB. The more ambitious student, the *real* AP student who goes above and beyond the minimum requirement, will read other pages at this website, particularly "Assimilation, Relocation and Genocide" and "The Trail of Tears."

Movies to See: (YOU NEED PARENTAL PERMISSION FOR R-RATED MOVIES.)

Required

Mona Lisa Smile (2003)
The Great Debaters (2007)

Optional

Stand and Deliver (1988)
October Sky (1999)
Lean on Me (1989)
Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee (2007)
Amistad (1997) rated R
Star Wars (1977)
The Wizard of Oz (1939)
Overboard (1987)
The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie (2004)
The Matrix (1999) rated R

Independent Reading for Vocabulary Building: Try to read at least one article each week from the following publications or columnists at the websites:

Sports Illustrated

US News and World Reports

<http://www.realclearpolitics.com/>

<http://townhall.com/>

<http://topics.nytimes.com/top/opinion/editorialsandoped/oped/columnists/index.html>

During the summer, some programming on the History, Discovery and Learning Channels may be useful for our class. I will notify you through my SchoolNotes.com page if you put your email address on the "NOTIFY ME" list. Otherwise, learn something on your own.

If you are not enrolled in AP US History, you must read *How the Other Half Lives* by Jacob Riis available online at:
<http://www.authentichistory.com/postcivilwar/riis/contents.html>