

Honors World History Summer Reading

Book: Gombrich, E.H. A Little History of the World, Yale University Press: New Haven, 1985. (Available in either paperback text or audio format)

The Assignment Description:

Using the Clearview internet site, Sharepoint, you will be able to participate in an on-line social network book review of the book, A Little History of the World, in order to think and write critically about the history of the world up to and including the Renaissance period.

1. Read Chapters 1 through 24
2. Write an on-line book review on the Sharepoint page under the heading "Class Discussion" that includes each of the following
 - a. Comparison of this book to other history books, textbooks or primary sources you have read
 - b. Description of the writing style of the author
 - c. Readability/Likeability of the book
 - d. Three specific topics or time periods you enjoyed reading about (cite three passages from the book)
 - e. Why you recommend this book, or your other comments
3. Create a word document with a heading that includes your full name
4. Copy and paste your Sharepoint book review on to the Word document
5. Read the teacher-posted Essential Questions from the Sharepoint site, select eight questions, and answer them in complete sentences on the Word document.

NOTE: The Sharepoint book review must be posted by no later than August 31, 2010, and the completed word document must be submitted to your Honors World History teacher on the first day of school.

NOTE: This assignment, which includes the teacher creation and updating of an individual Sharepoint page, is cross-curricular and shares integration with technology, science and language arts standards. It has been collaboratively designed by the 9th grade Honors World History teachers and will be assessed and updated on an ongoing basis. This assignment is foundational to the 9th grade Honors World History curriculum and will be extended throughout the academic year.

*Alternate assignment for students who lack computer access: - type or hand write the book review, and respond on paper to the Essential Questions which will be provided in a hard copy at the HS Main Office.

How to Log Into the Honors World SharePoint Site

Note: In order to log in, a person must have a Clearview Regional account. All enrolled students utilize their same user name for their entire educational career at Clearview Regional. If you are new to the district and require a login and password, **please e-mail: ioconaro@clearviewregional.edu as soon as possible.**

Please complete the following steps to begin your assignment.

- 1.) Go to: <http://sharepoint.clearviewregional.edu/faculty/hwhsr/default.aspx>
- 2.) In the login box for username, enter crhs\username.
 - *Be sure to include **crhs** before your username, or you won't be able to login.
- 3.) Enter your password.
- 4.) Click OK.

You should now be at the Honors World History SharePoint site. The assignment and essential questions are located in the right column.