

APUSH Summer Assignment – Summer 2024-2025

Welcome to AP United States History! For your summer assignment, you will not be reading a book, but interacting with US History in a different way. You are being asked to visit a museum, national park, or national monument over the summer. You must choose a place that has an exhibit **dealing with some aspect of the nation's past**. State history would also count as a part of our nation's past. Exhibits can depict aspects of political, economic, religious, social, intellectual, or artistic movements in United States history.

For the assignment, you will need to...

- Write a 2 page paper, double spaced, 12 pt. Times New Roman font essay. Your essay should be in MLA Format. The paper should be divided into 2 parts. PLEASE DIVIDE OUT AND LABEL EACH PART IN YOUR ESSAY (label "Part 1: Summary" on the first page and label "Part 2: *whichever category that you pick*" on the second page)! Each part should be 1 page, which together makes up your 2 page essay ☺
 - Part 1: Give a summary of the events depicted in the museum, national monument, or national park and why it is significant in American history.
 - Part 2: Explain how the events depicted in the museum, national monument, or national park show how our nation has evolved today. This evolution MUST be categorized as ONE of the following: **political, economic, religious, social, intellectual or artistic**. Please make your category easily identifiable!!!
- **Staple the ticket, brochure, or picture of you from your museum, national monument, or national park to your written paper.**

The essay is due on AUGUST 9th for Fall Semester students AND JANUARY 13th for Spring Semester students.

The museum can be in Atlanta, in Georgia, or outside the state. For ideas, check out tourism department website from the state, or from surrounding states. You may also refer to the list of area museums and exhibits on this handout. You may visit more than one museum and multiple exhibits in a museum. (See below for museums, national parks, and national monuments nearby.) If you have a financial or scheduling concern as to why you cannot attend a museum, please reach out to Ms. Gaffney directly at Katherine.gaffney@cobbk12.org.

Museum / National Park / National Monument Ideas:

Kennesaw Mountain National Park (visit the museum)

Address: 900 Kennesaw Mountain Dr.
Kennesaw GA 30152
Admission Cost: Cost of Parking

Atlanta History Museum

Address: 130 W. Paces Ferry Rd. NW
Atlanta GA 30305
Admission Cost: Students - \$18.00

Stone Mountain Park

Address: 1000 Robert E. Lee Blvd.
Stone Mountain GA 30080
Admission Cost: \$31.95 + parking fee

Oakland Cemetery

Address: 248 Oakland Ave. SE
Atlanta, GA 30312
Admission Cost: \$ \$6.00

Martin Luther King Jr. Birth Home

Address: 501 Auburn Avenue NE
Atlanta GA 30312
Admission Cost: FREE

Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum

Address: 441 Freedom Pkwy.
Atlanta GA 30307
Admission Cost: Students - \$6.00

Marietta Museum of History

Address: 1 Depot St.
Marietta GA 30060
Admission Cost: Students - \$5.00

National Center for Civil and Human Rights

Address: 100 Ivan Allen Jr. Blvd.
Atlanta GA 30313
Admission Cost: Students - \$17.99

Summer Assignment Essay Rubric

Section of Paper	Questions to Answer	10	5	0
Summary	Where did you go? What did you see? When or what time period would this historical site / museum have its historical significance?	Clear explanation of where you went as well as when the historical events depicted at the site.	Vague time period given and a brief description of the historical site.	No real explanation of where you went or when this historical site / museum was relevant.
Summary	Why or how does this place (or the events that happened at this place) have an impact on our overall American history?	Explains in detail how or why this place had an impact on the overall history of America.	Briefly explains how or why this place has an impact on the overall history of America.	A weak or vague explanation of how the place had an impact on the overall history of America.
Category	How does this place connect to the category that you chose? *Political / Economic / Social / Intellectual / Religious / Artistic	There is a clear connection made between the historical site and the category chosen.	Connection between the category and the historical site was not fully addressed or not completely clear.	There is no connection made between the historical site and the category chosen OR there was no category chosen to connect too.
Category	How has this connection impact our world today?	Connection between historical site / museum and the category chosen, clearly connects to today's society.	Connection between historical site / museum and the category / categories chosen, slightly connects to today's society.	There was no category chosen OR there was no connection to today's society.
Miscellaneous	Did you choose only ONE category? Is your paper the appropriate length? Did you use the right format for the paper? Categories: Political, Economic, Social, Intellectual, Religious, OR Artistic	ONE category was chosen and your paper followed the correct format guidelines (2 pages total and labeled correctly).	More than one category was chosen OR one category was chosen, but the paper was not in the correct format.	NO categories were chosen and the paper was in the wrong format.

****If you do not meet the 2 page requirement (1 page for each section), then you will automatically receive half credit for this assignment.***