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## SUMMER ASSIGNMENTS

Hello students! Welcome to Advanced Placement United States History II. Your summer work falls into two categories –the actual United States History work I am assigning to you, and the introduction to the format, units and portions of the examination itself. The first is from a book I will be assigning to you, *Leadership in Turbulent Times* by Doris Kearns Goodwin, the second are my series of three podcasts and the third is from the Barron’s book *AP United States History Premium*.

You will be asked to read the first four chapters of the Goodwin book, up to page 93; this section is about the rise to power of Presidents Abraham Lincoln, Theodore Roosevelt, Franklin Roosevelt and Lyndon Johnson. Then, choose chapter three, four, five or six, to focus on one of the four presidents. You must compose one “plus” and one “minus” of each leader covering one leader’s rise to power and one leader’s shortcoming. That’s four paragraphs, two on each portion. This book is available in most Hudson County public libraries, and you may also buy a used copy from Amazon for as little as four dollars.

The second assignment is to purchase the Barron’s book *AP United States History Premium 2023-2024* and read up to page 96. This acquaints you with the format of the examination and gives a review of the first two units we study in APUSH. Amazon and your local bookstore will have this book, so please do obtain it as soon as possible and read up to page 96. Part of exam prep is a look back at the 1600’s and 1700’s, so this is vital to cover, and Barron’s does that so very well!

I wish you and your families a blessed summer and please do not hesitate to email any questions you may have. Thanks! Mr. G