

*Summer is almost here and next school year may be the furthest thing from your mind, but...*



(The first summer history assignment)

## **It's time to prepare for AP U.S. History!**

**This summer assignment is designed to help you get acquainted with the companion website for your textbook and to introduce you to the earliest years of United States History. You will need an internet connection to complete the assignment, and must bring it to class on the **FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**. This will be your first grade in the class. It is highly recommended that you keep an electronic copy of your work.**

**The complete assignment is described on the back of this sheet. If you have any questions please see Mr. Bush (room 254) or Mrs. Perkins' substitute (room 246) before summer, or email one of us. We look forward to seeing you in class this fall.**

**Have a great summer!**

Use the following website: <http://bcs.bedfordstmartins.com/roarkcompact3e>

- Register as a student on the left side of the screen. Don't forget your password. You do not need your teacher's email address.

Note: The book you should be using is:

The American Promise: A Compact History, Combined Volume, 3e

## Chapter 1: Before the Written Record: Ancient America to 1492

- Click on Chapter 1
- Look on the left side of the screen. Under "Chapter Summary," click on each of the summaries (1-6).
- Click "Continue." You do not need your teacher's email address
- Read each of the short summaries for the chapter.
- From the menu, select "Defining Terms" and use the flashcards to review what you have already read.
- From the menu, select "Multiple-Choice," and complete each of the 24 question quizzes from this chapter. After each quiz, click "Submit." Copy the score from the top of the page and paste it in a document. Print this score -- You need to turn these in on the first day of class.



On a separate piece of paper, in paragraph form, answer any two of the following questions:

1. What developments allowed for ancient Asian migration to the Western Hemisphere?
2. When was the era of the Archaic hunters and gathers and who were they?
3. On the eve of Columbus's arrival, where were the major Native American cultures in North America? What similarities united these diverse American cultures?
4. How extensive and powerful was the Mexican (Aztec) empire? How was Mexican society structured?

## Chapter 2

- Follow the same instructions, this time select the activities from chapter 2.
- Be sure to print your score from each of the "Multiple-Choice" quizzes.



Columbus

Answer any two of the following questions:

1. What compelled Europeans to explore regions outside their own continent?
2. How did Christopher Columbus prove experts wrong and thereby precipitate a geographic revolution?
3. How did Spain create its empire in the Caribbean and in Central and South America?
4. How did Spain's New World colonies aid its political ambitions in Europe?