

GLOBAL HISTORY 9 HONORS:
SUMMER ASSIGNMENT

Welcome to the exciting world of Global History! Climb aboard the Global Express and prepare to take an excursion around the world in 180 days, starting NOW! This assignment will serve as your boarding pass to the Global History Honors program. It will give you the opportunity to explore the various cultures of the world in all their glorious diversity.

Overview:

You will be responsible for locating, reading and analyzing four current event news stories that deal with the cultural aspects of the major regions of the world.

Culture is defined as all of the aspects of the way people live. Culture includes such elements as food, clothing, entertainment, religion, the arts, customs, traditions etc. Culture can be influenced by many factors such as interaction with other people through war or trade, geography, religious beliefs and migration of people.

Task:

- Locate 4 news stories from the following regions, (each article must be from a separate region): Latin America, South Asia, Southeast Asia, Central Asia, the Middle East, Europe, Africa and the Far East. (If you are unfamiliar with these regions you should consult an Atlas! You may not use any article about the United States)
- The articles must be from reputable papers or news magazines such as the *New York Times*, *Journal News*, *Newsweek*, *U.S. News and World Report*, *Time Magazine* etc. and should be of significant length so that they thoroughly address the topic. (Articles from online sources or papers such as the *Daily News*, *the New York Post* or any tabloid will not be accepted.)
- Write an analysis for each article which includes the following:
 - Provide a date and source of the article
 - Briefly describe the content
 - *Identify the cultural element in the region and explain* its impact on the community.
 - *Describe and explain* the factors, listed above, that have influenced the development of that culture.
- Write a minimum of ½ page typed (at least eight lines) and a maximum of 1 page typed, double-spaced for each article. The font used should be 12 point.
- Submit a copy of each article with your written work.

THE SUMMER ASSIGNMENT IS DUE THE SECOND CLASS MEETING IN SEPTEMBER. IN ADDITION TO BEING A REQUIREMENT IT WILL ALSO COUNT AS A TEST GRADE.

If you have questions regarding this assignment feel free to e-mail the social studies department chair at Jhunsberger@tufsd.org or me at Egraham@tufsd.org Have a wonderful summer! We are looking forward to meeting you in September.