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Welcome to AP World History,

In this class we cover the time period of 1200-2021. This is a large period of history that will take up all of our class time.

In order for you to be prepared for the first day of class you need to have Historical Context for the periods before 1200. Historical Context is the idea of what was happening before and leading up to an event in history in order for us to better understand the event and its meaning. This is an important skill that we will work on throughout the class, but you need to start this summer!

Your assignment will be due the first day of class, **Monday August, 26**. The assignment will count as a test grade, and will prepare you for the first week of class. The material will also be on the first test given at the end of Unit 1.

Assignment:

Watch the youtube video "World History BEFORE 1200 [AP World History Review] 2019-2020" by Steve Heimler and answer the questions below. **To do a thorough job, you will need to start and stop the video many times & you may need to rewatch sections of it.** FULL SENTENCES ARE NOT NEEDED, BUT DETAIL IS, THINK FULL THOUGHTS!

You will turn in the completed assignment on the first day of class. You must write in neat, legible handwriting. My ability to read your assignment is part of your grade.

If you have any questions, feel free to email me or talk to me before the end of the semester.

I look forward to seeing everyone in AP World in August!

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QUESTIONS	ANSWERS
1. What is the Neolithic Revolution?	
2. How did people live before the Neolithic Revolution?	
3. Where did the Neolithic Revolution happen?	
4. How did people's lives change because of the Neolithic Revolution?	
5. Where were the 5 most important civilizations of the Neolithic Revolution located?	
6. Which societies were the first to have cities?	
7. What innovations came from having cities? How did life change?	
8. During the Neolithic Revolution, what major religions got their start?	

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9. What do most leaders of empires have in common?	
10. What were pastoralists and why were they important to empires?	
11. After 600 BCE the Classical Era began. During this time world religions developed and spread. Take notes development and spread of: Judaism Hinduism Buddhism Christianity Confucianism Daoism Animism & Shamanism	
12. After 600 BCE, in the Classical Era, Empires arose. How connected were these empires? What kind of relationships did they have with each other?	

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<p>13. Persian Empire (Achaemenids) (c. 550-330 BCE)</p> <p>How did they govern such a large empire?</p> <p>How/Why did the fall?</p>	
<p>14. Chinese Empires</p> <p>Qin Dynasty (220-206 BCE)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What was the Mandate of Heaven? - How did the Qin Dynasty rule? <p>Han Dynasty (206 BCE-220 CE)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What other large and wealthy empire did the equally matched Han Dynasty have a relationship with? - What improvements did the Han make to China? 	
<p>15. Phoenician Empire (c. 2500 BCE - 539 BCE)</p> <p>How & Where did the Phoenicians build their empire of city-states?</p> <p>What innovations did we adopt from them?</p>	
<p>16. What innovations were the Greek City-States (c. 600 BCE - 330 BCE) known for?</p>	

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<p>17. Roman Empire (c. 753 BCE - 476 CE/ 1453 CE)</p> <p>Who were the Romans most influenced by?</p> <p>What innovations were they known for?</p> <p>Why are there two dates above for the collapse of the Roman Empire?</p>	
<p>18. What innovations were the Mayans (c. 2000 BCE - 900 CE) known for?</p>	
<p>19. What developments was Teotihuacan (c. 400 BCE - c. 600 CE) known for?</p>	
<p>20. Who ruled the Andean Civilization of the Moche (c. 100-800 CE)?</p>	
<p>21. Before 1200, why were cities important to every empire?</p>	
<p>22. Before 1200, describe the type of hierarchy that could be found in most empires?</p>	
<p>23. Before 1200, what were the major reasons empires fell?</p>	

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24. What is 1 significant Continuity (thing that stayed the same) either economically or politically that occurred between 0-1200 CE in the Afro-Eurasia region? What is 1 significant economic or political change?	
25. What is 1 significant continuity either socially or religiously that occurred between 0-1200 CE in the Afro-Eurasia region? What is 1 significant social and religious change?	

Grading Rubric:

Each Question is worth a potential of 4 points.

4 Points	3 Points	2 Points	1 Point
Question is answered completely with complete thoughts and clear understanding of material. Answers are legible and easy to read.	Question is answered mostly, with some understanding of the material. Answers are legible and easy to read.	Question is partially answered with some understanding of the material. Answers are eligible and easy to read.	Question has some information answered, but there is not a clear understanding of materials. AND/OR Answers are messy and hard to read.