

Summer Reading Assignment: AP Seminar

AP Seminar is designed to teach you how to read, analyze, and use data and different perspectives like a college student. You'll spend lots of time reading a diverse set of texts, writing arguments and analyses, and learning how to give interesting and useful presentations in a group and individually. It is a rigorous course, but if you're interested in learning more about how the world *really* works and developing strategies for solving some of the world's problems, this might be the perfect class for you!

This summer, purchase and read one of the books listed below. Use a Google Doc to track important quotes and information from your book, and annotate as you read. Annotations are any comments, summaries, or thoughts you have as you read. They represent meaningful interactions with what you are reading. Since you should read critically, it is important to note the author's important arguments, evidence they use to support their arguments, and what you think about the arguments.

Your "reading journal" should have a minimum of 12 quotations in it (split your book into 4 quarters, and include 3 quotations from each quarter) and 2 annotations per quotation. This is due on the first day of classes.

Reading List:

- Fast Food Nation: The Dark Side of the All American Meal by Eric Schlosser
- *Freakonomics: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything* by Steven D. Levitt & Stephen J. Dubner
- Outliers: The Story of Success by Malcolm Gladwell
- The Psychopath Test: A Journey Through the Madness Industry by Jon Ronson
- *Think Like a Freak* by Steven D. Levitt & Stephen J. Dubner
- *Nickel and dimed : on (not) getting by in America* by Barbara Ehrenreich.

