

AP Human Geography - Summer Reading 2019

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Book:

Demick, Barbara. Nothing to Envy Spiegel and Grau, 2010
ISBN: 9780385523912.

Assignment:

1. Get the book early
2. Read it! :)
3. Write the report, using the rubric (below.) You'll turn it in during first quarter for a major grade, so needless to say, don't wait until the last moment. Some students may register late for the class, so if you have a problem, just let me know in August. We'll also talk about the book when we get to the relevant units

If you find this assignment challenging, that's good; keep repeating to yourself, "I'm taking a college level course."

By the way - and this is not directly related to the Summer Reading Assignment, but important nevertheless - check out the College Board's website (they're the folks who bring you the SAT and the AP course programs.) Go to the [AP Human Geography Course Home Page](#). This site is chock full of information on the course and the exam. You'll want to visit the website occasionally, especially when you're preparing for the APHG Exam.

I also recommend purchasing AP Human Geography exam review prep books. The "5 Steps" series is good. The latest edition is not scheduled to be released until August 2nd, but it's important to purchase this edition due to announced changes in next year's AP Human Geography exam.

- o *5 Steps to a 5: AP Human Geography*, 2020 edition, ISBN-13: 978-1260455779

Summer Reading Assignment - Organization and Grading Rubric

I. Description

5 points: Author's name, place and date of publication, number of pages

20 points: Summary of book, important points brought out, highlights, etc.

II. Analysis

10 points: Author's objectives. What did the author intend for the reader in writing this book?

10 points: Universal lessons. Provide examples from the book of lessons that would apply any place or time. These lessons should deal, if possible, with threads of humanity or the universal condition. If you do not feel there is any lesson to be learned from your book, explain why.

10 points: Use of quoted passages to support answers.

III. Appraisal

10 points: Did you like/dislike the book and why?

5 points: What is missing? That is, what do you think the author should have addressed, but didn't?

IV. The 5 Themes of Geography

20 points: Please integrate, wherever applicable, the "5 Themes of Geography":

- Location
- Place
- Movement
- Human-environmental interaction
- Regions

V. Overall Paper

10 points

Parts Most Often Missing from Student Reports:

Author's objectives

Universal lessons

Use of quoted passages

What is missing?

5 Themes of Geography

Due: 9/30/18 (11:59pm) 10 pts/day late