

AP Seminar

Summer Assignment 2021

Welcome to the AP Capstone family! AP Seminar is a rigorous and foundational course that engages students in cross-curricular conversations that explore the complexities of academic and real-world topics and issues by analyzing divergent perspectives. The goal of the summer assignment is to initiate you into those conversations. Welcome aboard- I'm glad you're here!

—Dr. Waz

Assignment #1:

- *Think Like A Freak*—Steven D. Levitt & Stephen J. Dubner
 - Annotate/take notes as you read/listen. Focus your annotations on the following:
 - The main points
 - Your reactions to the book (note where you are surprised, dubious, amused, disappointed, etc.)
 - Questions you have
 - Connections (i.e. text-to-text, text-to-world, text-to-media, text-to-self)
 - Agreements or disagreements with Levitt and Dubner
 - Unfamiliar words and concepts
 - Once you finish, develop 2-3 questions about any topic covered by the book or any questions/thoughts the book sparked in you. Be sure to develop questions that:
 - Cannot be answered with 'yes' or 'no'
 - Would require research to answer
 - Aren't fully answered in/by the book
 - Examples of good questions:
 - What are the specific problems and characteristics of different types of stray cats (e.g., farm cats, feral cats, stray cats in urban areas)?
 - How is glacial melting affecting penguins in the Arctic Circle?
 - What are the characteristics of effective incentives?

Assignment #2:

- #JustRead: School-wide summer reading
 - Find a book or podcast of your choice and read/listen to it.
 - Be ready to recommend (or not!) your choice to the class in the fall.
 - If you have a Twitter account, share what you are reading/listening to this summer by tweeting @JustReadFHS using the #JustReadFHS hashtag. (Tweeting is optional!)

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OVER THE SUMMER, YOU MAY EMAIL
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