

## *SOCIAL STUDIES, GRADE 11 AP US History*

ASSIGNMENT:           *Book Analysis*  
DATE ASSIGNED:       *Friday, May 13, 2016*  
DATE DUE:             *Thursday, May 26, 2016*

*In this class, you have to write one book analysis. The book analysis must be based on a biography or an autobiography of a significant individual in American history. You may select an individual of interest to you; but I must approve your choice.*

*Here is how you write the analysis:*

- 1. The length must be a minimum of three pages, typed, double spaced. You will submit it to me via Turnitin.*
- 2. For your paper's title, write the book's title and place the author's name beneath it.*
- 3. Begin to write a summary. This relates the person's story, providing sufficient detail to prove that you have, indeed, attentively read the book. Concentrate on major events, though. After I have read your summary, I should have a good idea of what happened in the person's life. This may actually be a focus on a particular era or event or trend in American history.*
- 4. Explain the author's message. What central idea was the writer attempting to get across? Do you detect a bias? Explain. Do this thoughtfully and thoroughly.*
- 5. Explain the overall historical context of the book. How did this book deepen your awareness of American history? Was the person a "page turner" in US history? Did she/he play a significant leadership role?*
- 6. Write your evaluation of the book as a whole. You may criticize it. Explain thoroughly.*

*Good luck and enjoy!*