

AP Human Geography - 2025 Summer Assignment

Dear Upcoming A.P. Human Geography Students,

I hope you are excited to start your freshman year at Monacan in the fall! We are excited to have you here, especially in A.P. Geo! This class is one of my favorite to teach, and I guarantee you will leave it with a different perspective about the world.

In order to help you to succeed in AP Geo though, it is important that you also have some understanding of history. Unfortunately, the fast pace of this course prevents me from teaching you world history **and** geography next year which means you have to do a little work this summer to prepare.

Summer Assignment Details

1. First, watch 5 episodes of John Green's Crash Course World History: episodes #23, #35, #39, #41, #42. All episodes of the show can be found on YouTube (Youtube link for first video [here](#)) or through Khan Academy (Khan Academy link for first video [here](#)). These videos will give you some basic historical knowledge that will help you understand the events I will talk about frequently this school year. You will also need them for Part 2 of your assignment.
2. There are **Five Big Themes of Geography: Movement, Place, Location, Region and Human-Environment Interaction**. In a typed response that you will turn in, you will need to write 5 short paragraphs that cover the following:
 - In each paragraph, write a definition of each of the 5 themes in your own words. If you are unsure of the definitions of these terms, you can find them in a dictionary or an encyclopedia. Please note, each paragraph should be at least 4-5 sentences long, and in your own words. *Please do not copy and paste the definitions from a website, as this will result in a 0 for this assignment.*
 - In each paragraph, after writing a definition of each of the 5 themes, describe a historic example that you believe matches that theme. Your examples should come from one of the videos listed above from John Green's Crash Course series. Make sure you identify which John Green video (title and #) your example came from. You may not use the same John Green example more than once. *If you want to watch more John Green videos in order to find an example, please feel free but at least 3 of your examples should be from the ones listed above.*
 - After identifying the example, make sure to also explain why you believe that example illustrates that particular theme. This means there should be a sentence that tells me specifically why each example goes with each theme.

This assignment (5 paragraphs in which each paragraph includes the definition of 1 theme, an example of that theme, and your explanation of why the example matches that theme) should be **typed** using a **12 point font** (Arial, Times, or Calibri). Make sure the final draft is **double-spaced and printed out** (this can be done on the library printers at Monacan for free or for a small fee once school begins).

The assignment is due on September 5th, 2025. However, if you turn it in the first week of school, you will get 5 extra credit summative points. If you turn it in the second week of school, you will get 3 extra credit summative points. If you turn it in the 3rd week, it will be on time!

I check my email occasionally over the summer, so feel free to email with questions! Please make sure to identify yourself in your email, so I can know who I am communicating with. Otherwise, enjoy your summer and I am excited to meet you in August!

Mrs. Borean
ashley_borean@ccpsnet.net