9th Grade

Ancient Cultures

_A Little History of the World_ by E.H. Gombrich

Presents a concise history of the world for young readers, tracing the
development of humankind, from the stone age to the twentieth century.
* Read through Chapter 25

10th History 2

Modern World History

_Kaffir Boy: The True Story of a Black Youth's Coming of Age in Apartheid South Africa_ by Mark Mathabane

A Black writer describes his childhood in South Africa under apartheid and recounts how
Arthur Ashe and Stan Smith helped him leave for America on a tennis scholarship.

AP World History

_Things Fall Apart_ by Chinua Achebe

A classic novel about the confrontation of African tribal life with colonial rule tells the
tragic story of a warrior whose manly, fearless exterior conceals bewilderment, fear, and
anger at the breakdown of his society.

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US History

_Triangle: The Fire That Changed America_ by David von Drehle;

Describes the 1911 fire that destroyed the Triangle Shirtwaist factory in New York's
Greenwich Village, the deaths of 146 workers in the fire, and its implications for
twentieth-century politics and labor relations. See additional assignment.

_The Declaration of Independence and The United States Constitution_
AP US History

*Midnight Rising: John Brown and the Raid that Sparked the Civil War*
By Tony Horwitz

Tony Horwitz tells the electrifying tale of the daring insurrection that put America on the path to bloody war. Plotted in secret, launched in the dark, John Brown’s raid on Harpers Ferry was a pivotal moment in U.S. history.

*The Declaration of Independence and The United States Constitution*

The US Constitution and American Government and Law

*Constitution Assignment*

See additional assignment.

Contemporary American Politics and Society

Read **ONE** of the following

or

Jeffrey Toobin. *A Vast Conspiracy: The Real Story of the Sex Scandal that Nearly Brought Down a President*. Topic: President Clinton, Monica Lewinsky, and Impeachment.

We will start the year with a comparison-contrast paper on how the Watergate scandal and the Clinton-Lewinsky scandal resemble or don’t resemble each other. Papers will argue pro-con on the old saying: "History repeats itself, the first time as tragedy, the second time as farce."

**I have not yet put together the question/assignment sheets, but am working on them.**

Students may use whatever editions they can find. Both are available in hardcover, paperback, and Kindle/Nook.