

# 11th Grade Modern World History Summer Assignment

1. Your assignment is to read [\*A History of the World in Six Glasses by Tom Standage.\*](#)<sup>1</sup>
2. Start by reading through each chapter, even the parts that don't make sense to you—this is called *superficial reading*.<sup>2</sup> Once you have finished each chapter, [complete the information below](#). You will rate how interesting it was on a scale of one to five (1 = boring; 5 = interesting), and write 2-3 sentences about why you chose that ranking.
3. Once you have read the whole book, choose one chapter that you found interesting (which means that you rated it 4 or 5) for *analytical reading*. You should answer [the questions found below](#) for the chapter that you select.

Be ready to hand this in on the first day of class.

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## Chapter Outlines

### **Beer in Mesopotamia and Egypt**

*Chapter 1: A Stone-Age Brew*

**Rating (1-5)**

**Why did you give this rating?**

*Chapter 2: Civilized Beer*

**Rating (1-5)**

**Why did you give this rating?**

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<sup>1</sup> Disclaimer: The choice of this book as a summer reading assignment does not represent any attempt to promote the use/misuse of any of these beverages, alcoholic, caffeinated or otherwise. This book merely offers a unique and interesting way of viewing economic history and showing how the world has changed and become more connected.

<sup>2</sup> The terms 'superficial reading' and 'analytical reading' are from Mortimer J. Adler's [\*How to Read a Book\*](#).

## **Wine in Greece and Rome**

*Chapter 3: The Delight of Wine*

**Rating (1-5)**

**Why did you give this rating?**

*Chapter 4: The Imperial Vine*

**Rating (1-5)**

**Why did you give this rating?**

## **Spirits in the Colonial Period**

*Chapter 5: High Spirits, High Seas*

**Rating (1-5)**

**Why did you give this rating?**

*Chapter 6: The Drinks That Built America*

**Rating (1-5)**

**Why did you give this rating?**

## **Coffee in the Age of Reason**

*Chapter 7: The Great Soberer*

**Rating (1-5)**

**Why did you give this rating?**

*Chapter 8: The Coffeehouse Internet*

**Rating (1-5)**

**Why did you give this rating?**

**Tea and the British Empire**

*Chapter 9: Empires of Tea*

**Rating (1-5)**

**Why did you give this rating?**

*Chapter 10: Tea Power*

**Rating (1-5)**

**Why did you give this rating?**

**CocaCola and the Rise of America**

*Chapter 11: From Soda to Cola*

**Rating (1-5)**

**Why did you give this rating?**

*Chapter 12: Globalization in a Bottle*

**Rating (1-5)**

**Why did you give this rating?**

## Analytical Reading

**Reread the chapter that you selected and fill out the following pieces of information. You need full sentences unless otherwise indicated.**

- 1) What is the title of the chapter that you chose for this section?
  
- 2) What time period does your chapter cover?
  
- 3) What civilizations/countries does your chapter discuss? How are they related to the beverage that is the subject of this chapter?
  
- 4) What are some of the key terms that you need to understand this chapter? List three and define them (1-2 sentences):
  - 1)
  
  - 2)
  
  - 3)
  
- 5) What are three important technologies and/or historical developments in your chapter? List three and explain why they are important (1-2 sentences):
  - 1)
  
  - 2)
  
  - 3)
  
- 6) What did you learn from reading this chapter? Why is this information important?
  
- 7) Did the author convince you that this beverage was important during this time period? Why or why not?