

MRS. RICH- IB HISTORY OF THE AMERICAS

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Summer Reading assignment one- April Morning by Howard Fast

YOU MUST GO TO MY TEACHERWEB PAGE TO PRINT THE QUESTIONS BEFORE SCHOOL ENDS!

(On my page- find IB Homework- lizard running in a circle)

TYPED answers to April Morning questions and to the following Chapter 1 questions will be due on the **first day** we meet in the fall.

APRIL MORNING

AUTHOR- HOWARD FAST

This novel is about one day that changes history.

You have learned about this day many times...think

back... "Listen my children, and you shall hear..."

"One if by land, and two if by sea..."

"The British are coming!"

Ring any bells?

How about "the shot heard round the world"...?

That's right! This book is about the battle of Lexington...the first skirmish between British soldiers and American "minutemen" that began the American Revolution. You have learned about this battle and the Revolution over and over since 1st grade- right? But this book is a little different. It is written from the perspective of someone who was there- someone who witnessed the firing of "the shot heard round the world" and whose life would be changed forever by that single bullet- someone who fifteen years old.

We all have different reading habits. I like to start a book and read it cover to cover. I hate stopping to do all the other stuff I'm supposed to do! Some of you, I'm pretty sure, have absolutely no desire to read this book, and think it is a fate worse than death to have to spend your summer doing this. Well sorry...you do have to do it! If it makes you feel any better, last summer, my students had to read four chapters in the text book and answer a bunch of questions. So count your blessings!

Whatever your style- read this book and answer the following questions. I will be collecting your TYPED copy of questions and answers on the FIRST day we meet in September.

Have a great summer! I'm looking forward to having you in my class. Mrs. Rich (linda.rich@nn.k12.va.us)

April Morning-Howard Fast

The Afternoon

1. List the five members of the Cooper family.
2. What kind of relationship does Adam have with his father?
3. Adam says several things that get him into trouble (one to himself, one to his mother, one to his grandmother). What does he say?
4. What role does religion and church play in New England society in 1775?
5. What complaint does Moses Cooper have with what Joseph Simmons has written as the Committee's statement?

The Evening

6. Why had half the village stopped eating boiled pudding made from fine wheat flour?
7. Where was the Committee meeting held?
8. What role does the Reverend play in the meeting?
9. Google Sam Adams and the Committees of Correspondence. What was Sam Adam's goal?
10. Why were some Committee members afraid to keep official minutes of the meeting?
11. Why did Joseph Simmons disown his brothers?
12. Why does Adam feel better as he falls asleep?

The Night

13. How does Moses Cooper feel about the Militia and guns?
14. Where had the rider come from and what news did he have?
15. In the confusion and disagreements taking place on the common, what stand does the Reverend take?
16. What argument does Moses give?
17. At what moment did the relationship between Moses and Adam change? How did it change?

The Morning

18. How many men were mustered on the common by dawn?
19. Why was Moses opposed to the guns being cocked?
20. Who had visited the Reverend's house during the night?
21. Who was chosen as spokesman for the Committee, Militia, and town?
22. According to the Reverend, how had the citizens of Boston been treated by the British? (list specifics)

23. What happened when the British approached the common?
24. Where did Adam hide?
25. How does Adam feel about his own performance and the actions of his neighbors on the common?

Summer Reading assignment two- Bailey, Kennedy textbook American Pageant

CHAPTER 1

1. Which mountain range is older, the Appalachians or the Rockies?
2. When did the Great Ice Age begin?
3. List two American geographic features which formed with the melting of the ice.
4. How did most of the early inhabitants reach North America?
5. When was this access cut off?
6. Approximately how many people lived in the Americas before Columbus arrived?
7. List the three sophisticated civilizations in central and South America.
8. What accounted for their size and success?
9. The slow spread of settled agriculture accounted for the limited growth of complex cultures in North America. List three areas where some larger populations did exist.
10. In which region of North America did the Sioux live? The Iroquois? The Nez Perce?
11. What crops made up "three-sister" farming?
12. What was the Iroquois Confederacy?
13. What is a matrilinear culture?
14. Who were the first Europeans to arrive in the New World? When?
15. How are the Crusades and the age of discovery linked?
16. What new type of ship was developed by the Portuguese?
17. What were the key features of African and Arab slave trade?
18. What were the Portuguese searching for as they pushed farther southward along the coast of Africa?
19. Who rounded the tip of Africa in 1488?
20. Who reached India ten years later?
21. How was Spain united?
22. What happened on October 12, 1492?

23. This “discovery” led to the development of an *interdependent global economic system*. Europe provided: _____

Africa provided _____

New World provided _____

24. Studying the chart of the COLUMBIAN EXCHANGE what had the most devastating effect on the Native Americans? What percentage were effected?

25. What did the Treaty of Tordesillas do?

26. What were the tree motivations of the Spanish Conquistadores?

27. Who discovered the Pacific?

28. What was Magellan’s claim to fame?

29. List the area of exploration and discovery and conquest for:

Ponce de Leon _____

Francisco Coronado _____

Hernando de Soto _____

Francisco Pizarro _____

Hernán Cortés _____

30. What was ENCOMIENDA?

31. Describe Tenochtitlán.

32. What is a MESTIZO?

33. What is the oldest city in North America and why was it founded?

34. What happened in 1680 in colonial New Mexico?

35. What is the “BLACK LEGEND?”

READ MAKERS OF AMERICA ON PAGES 18/19. AS WE MAKE OUR WAY THROUGH THIS BOOK, YOU WILL BE TEMPTED TO SKIP THESE EXTRA PAGES. FAIR WARNING...DON'T!