

You might want to pick up the following item **(one each per student)** on the graph table near the map of the world:

1. Course Outline and Policies Packet



If you want to follow along with this evening's presentation, access
mrhousch.com/Assignments (Look for the Assignment for August 20, 2020)





MR. HOUSCH



AMERICAN
HISTORY

- Mr. Housch was born and raised in the Civil War area of Chattanooga, Tennessee. He graduated from the McCallie School on Missionary Ridge.
- He received his college degree in History and Political Science from Taylor University in Indiana.
- He received his teaching certification and his Masters in History from Shippensburg University.
- Mr. Housch and his wife, Martha, live in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. They have two sons, Matt and Dan.
- This is his 16th year teaching 8th grade American History.
- Mr. Housch is a Licensed Battlefield Guide at Gettysburg National Military Park.

In American Cultures (American History) we will attempt to introduce you to some of the following time periods/events/subjects:



We the People of the
insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence,
and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution
Article I

Section 1. All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.
Section 2. The House of Representatives shall be composed of Members chosen every second Year by the People of the several States, and in each State shall have Representatives according to the most numerous Number of free Persons therein, which shall not have attained to the Age of twenty five Years, and seven Years a Citizen of the United States, who shall, when elected, be seven Years old.
Section 3. The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two Senators from each State, chosen by the Legislature thereof, for a Term of six Years; and each Senator shall have the Qualifications requisite for Senators of the most numerous Branch of the State Legislature.
Section 4. The Times, Places and Manner of holding the Elections of Senators and Representatives, shall be prescribed in each State by the Legislature thereof; but the Congress may at any time by Law alter or amend such Regulations.
Section 5. The Congress shall have Power to regulate the Election and Term of Service of Senators and Representatives, and to make such Exceptions, and to make such Regulations, as they shall by Law direct.
Section 6. The Senators and Representatives shall receive Compensation for their Services, which shall be ascertained by Law, and paid out of the Treasury of the United States.
Section 7. The Congress shall have Power to lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes; to borrow Money on the Credit of the United States, to emit and put into Circulation Paper Money, to regulate the Value of Money, the Weights and Measures, to define and punish Offences against the Law of Nations, to define and punish Piracies and Felonies committed on the high Seas, and Offences against Commerce; to declare War, to grant Letters of Marque and Reprisal, and to make Rules concerning Captives on Land and Water; to raise and support Armies, but no Appropriation of Money to that Use shall be for a longer Term than two Years; to raise and support Fleets, and to make Rules concerning the Capture of Land and Water Vessels; to make and enforce Laws, which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested in the Congress by the Constitution.

The First Americans, the Indians/Native Americans



The First Explorers of the Americas



The British Colonies



The American Revolution



Forming a National Government



Expanding the Territory of Our Nation



Industrial Revolution



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Slavery



American Civil War



You may see an online version of the Course Outline and Expectations on my website (mrhousch.com).



You are responsible for knowing your assignments, as they will usually be posted weeks ahead of time, in the classroom and on the website mrhousch.com. On mrhousch.com the assignments can be accessed at the area marked [Upcoming Assignments](#) or [Dates to Remember](#). **There is no excuse for coming to school and not knowing what your homework was for the previous day(s) or in the future.**



Mrhousch.com is also the source for your lessons. We will not be using a textbook. You may download these items to your device so that you may look at them at your leisure whether the internet is working at school at that moment or not.



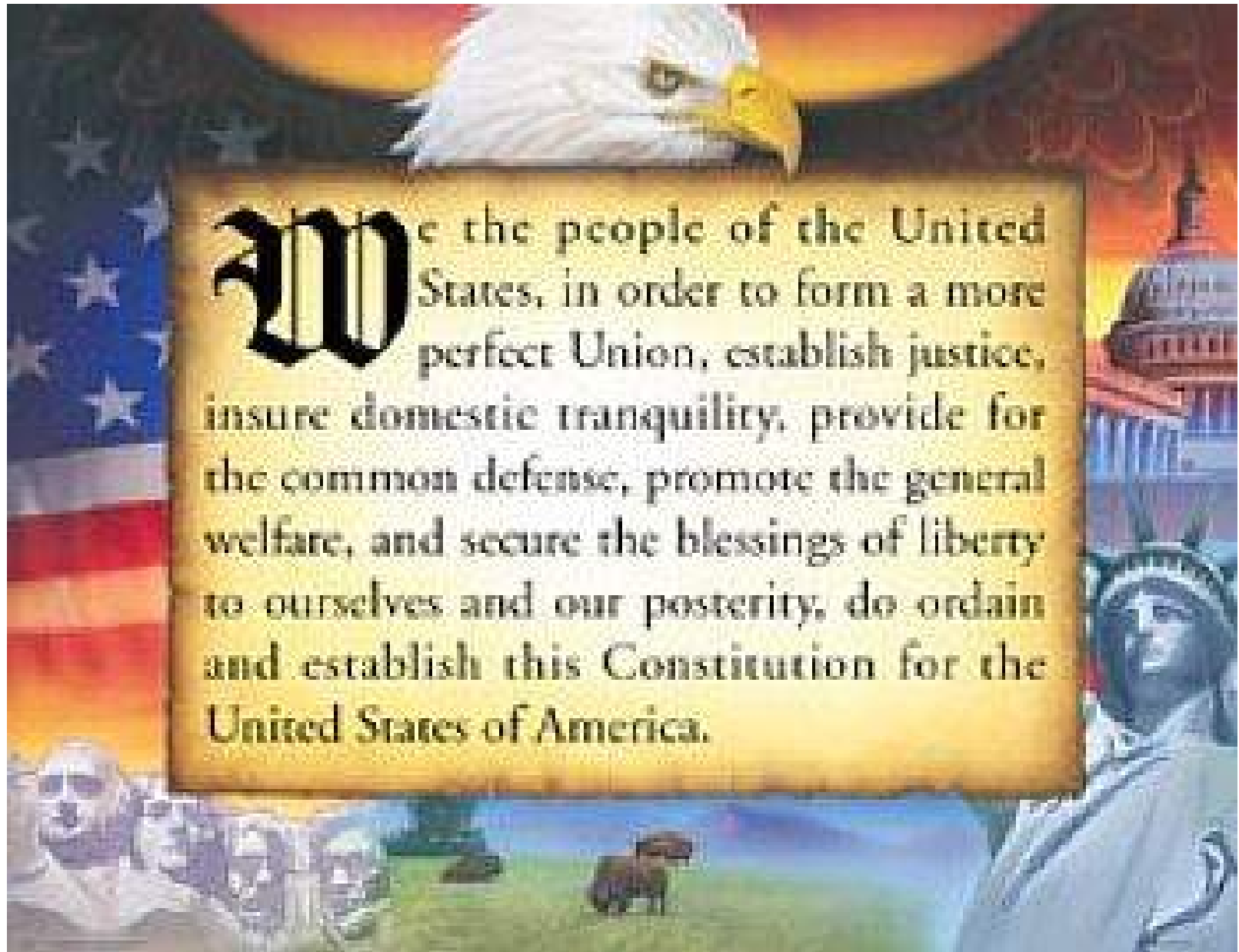
American Classics Tests-- Each student will complete **four** “American Classics” tests this year, which will demonstrate knowledge of some of the basic works of American history.



American Classics Tests-- The American Classics tests (and other tests) will be graded according to the school's 1-4 grading system:

- 4-** The student has gone above and beyond in mastery of this material.
- 3-** The student has mastered this material.
- 2-** The student has acquired a basic understanding of this material.
- 1-** The student has not yet acquired a basic understanding of this material.

September 24, 2020- Write or recite from memory
the **Preamble** to the U.S. Constitution.



October 22, 2020- Write or recite from memory the first verse to **“The Star Spangled Banner.”**



November 23, 2020- Correctly identify the **Fifty States**
of the United States.



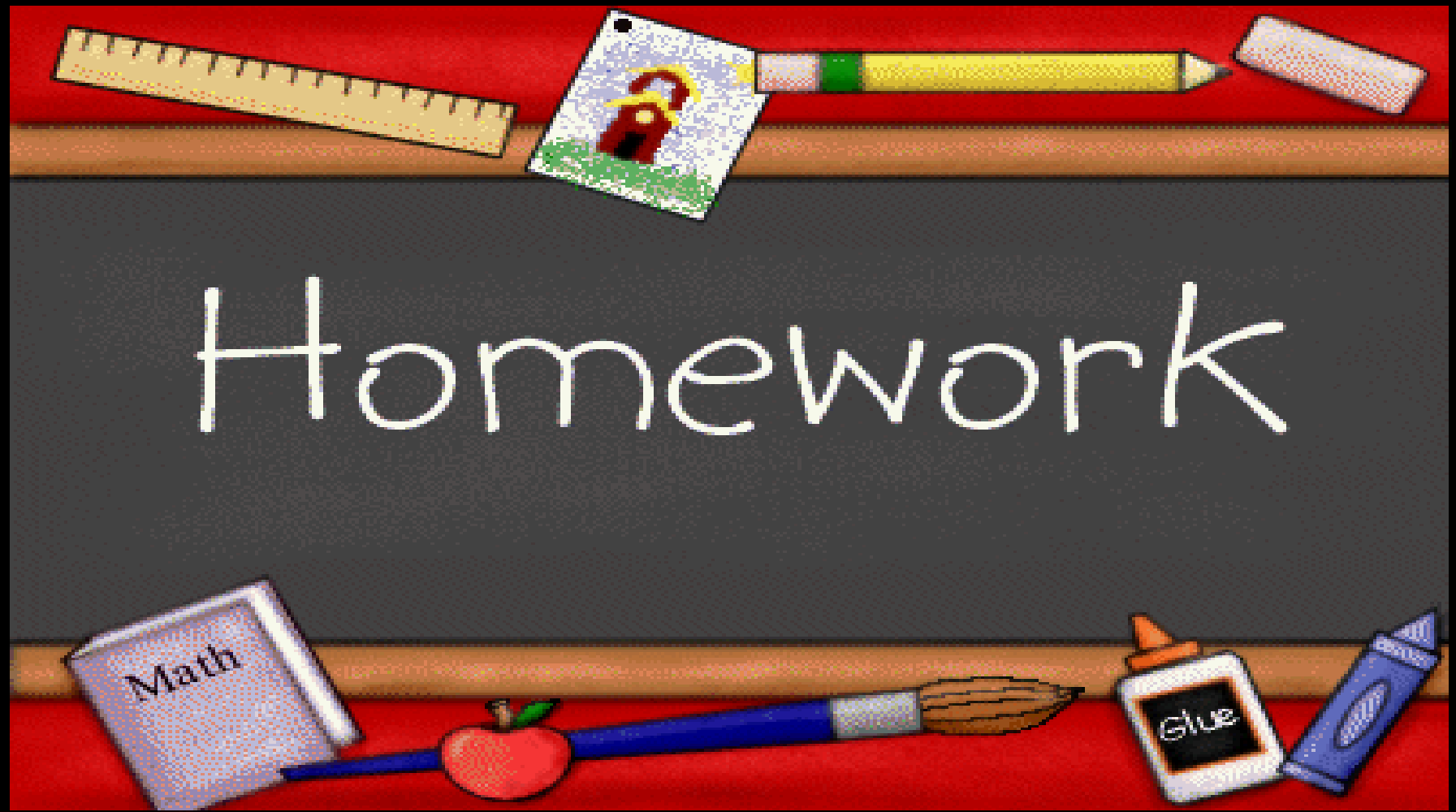
January 8, 2021- Recite or write from memory the first two paragraphs of the **Gettysburg Address**.



One may take each test **three times** (without penalty)
until the dates listed above.

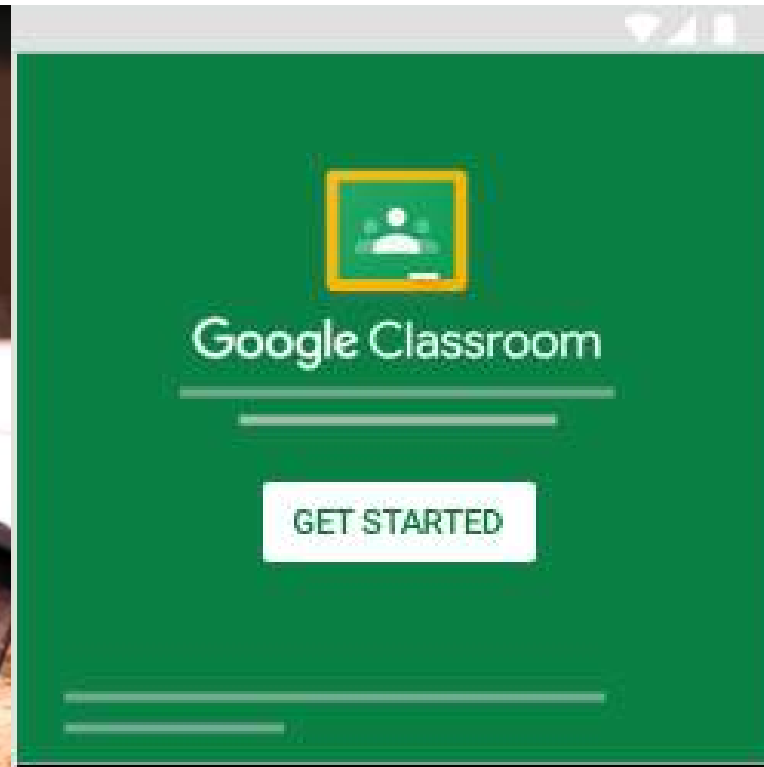


It is strongly recommended that you do your homework assignments. The reading assignments will help you to be oriented during beginning of class more quickly and help you better prepare for the class tests.



The homework assignments in the class will be mostly one of doing your reading from the lesson on mrhousch.com. This image is courtesy of the Whitman Hansen School District.

After you read your lesson on mrhousch.com, you will look over Study Guides for that lesson, and take a Pre-Test on that material using Google Classroom.



The Pre-Test will be used to judge how much effort that you put into your assignment for that evening. This image is courtesy of bigwormscff.org.

Many days your homework assignments will be:

1. Go to mrhousch.com and look at the homework for today's date:
2. On mrhousch.com Read the “Basics” section of a lesson (Vocabulary words, people to know, and maps)
3. On mrhousch.com Read the “Story” section of a lesson (The Story lesson tells the narrative or story about what you are studying).
4. On mrhousch.com under “Related Documents” look over the Quiz Study Guide for that lesson.
5. On mrhousch.com under “Related Documents” look over the Map Study Guide for that lesson.
6. On Google Classroom take the Quiz Pre-Test on the lesson that you read.
7. Think about the Essay question for that day's lesson.

Academic Class Work Besides the American Classics tests, students will be graded on quizzes/tests that we will have approximately once a week.



The quizzes and tests will be on whatever we have covered during that week. They will usually consist of an overall quiz, a geography quiz, and an essay. This image is courtesy of walesonline.co.uk.

Approximately once a week you will have an “overall” history quiz on previous lessons, a Map Test from previous lessons, and an essay.



The essay questions will be presented to you throughout the week. Look at mrhousch.com for the essay questions for each lesson. This image is courtesy of hotdog.com.

We will have three classroom debates this year.



This image shows former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and entrepreneur Donald Trump during the 2016 Presidential Campaign. This image is courtesy of [bbc.com](https://www.bbc.com).

Our debate topics will be: **Immigration....**



This image is courtesy of usimmigrationjourney.com

...Gun control...



This image is courtesy of forcechange.com

... and Privacy versus Security.



This image is courtesy of healthinforwars.blogspot.com

If you miss any or all of a debate, your makeup work will be: Go through local newspapers and census records and compile a database for the Hanover community.



It is up to you to makeup any or all work that you have missed. Be responsible. Mr. Housch is not going to chase you down. This image shows the Hanover, Pennsylvania town square in 1863. This image is courtesy of Wikimedia Commons.

Makeup Work

Any test on which you score **less than a “2”** needs to be taken again until you show that you understand the material on which you were tested.



It is your responsibility to make up this work. You have one week from when the test was given to makeup the work. This image is courtesy of hotdogs.com.

Notebooks—Students will acquire a notebook for this class with an approximate 2 inch wide spine. **If you cannot acquire a notebook, let Mr. Housch know.**



You need your own large three ring notebook for this class by **Friday**.



This image is courtesy of mrhousch.com.

Notebooks—Students need to acquire headphones/earphones for this class.



Sometimes there will be short video clips to listen to as part of a lesson. This image is courtesy of tourtalksystem.com.

We will have a field trip to Gettysburg this school year.



This is the Pennsylvania State Monument. This image was taken by Mr. Housch on January 17, 2010.

6th Period Tuesday January 5, 2021
7th Period Wednesday January 6, 2021
8th Period Thursday January 7, 2021



We will be taking a South Western school bus. Our “snow dates” are January 8th, 11th, and 12th. This image is courtesy of [scholastic.com](https://www.scholastic.com).

We will be leaving after the students get their lunch on those days.



This image shows Cafeteria A of Emory H. Markle Intermediate School. This image was taken by Mr. Housch on August 24, 2010.

Mr. Housch is a Gettysburg Licensed Battlefield Guide and will be leading the class around the battlefield that afternoon.



This image was taken on East Cemetery Hill. Culp's Hill is in the right background. This image was taken by another Mr. Housch on February 18, 2011.

You will return to Emory H. Markle before school is dismissed.



This image is courtesy of the South Western School District.

Your “homework” is:

- A. Acquire a Notebook if you do not yet have one.
- B. Acquire headphones/earphones if you do not have them.
- C. Bring Back the Course Outline Signature sheet signed by your parent/guardian.

Any questions, please ask Mr. Housch.

