

## Summer Assignment U.S. History and Government

The summer assignment for incoming juniors is a **REFLECTIVE PAPER** based off the book *Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass* by Frederick Douglass (Primary Source). Students should answer the following questions based on the book. Each answer should be at least 5-7 sentences. Details and examples from the book should be used whenever fitting. The rubric for reflective paper should be stapled to the front of your paper, it can be found at the bottom of this page. Please number each answer and do them in the correct order. The paper will be collected on Monday, September 16, 2019. All late papers will be deducted 10 points for everyday that it is late. The reflection paper will count as the first quarter project, which is equivalent to a test grade. Students should be sure to follow the proper page requirements.

### Page requirements:

- 12 point font
- Times New Roman font
- 1 inch margins all around
- Double spaced
- MLA Heading in the top right corner

Example:

Your Name  
Summer Assignment  
Due Date

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### **Questions to answer:**

1. **Discuss who Frederick Douglass was. What were his strengths?**
2. **Explain the situation faced by Frederick Douglass and millions of others that were held in bondage in Southern Slaving Society.**
3. **Describe at least five examples of how Douglass exposes the horrors of slavery.**
4. **Explain the process in which Douglass teaches himself to read. Describe the impact that literacy has on his life and eventual decision to escape slavery.**
5. **Describe the process in which Frederick Douglass comes to find out about Abolitionism.**
6. **Explain Douglass' plan to run away.**
7. **Describe who helps Douglass in New York and on his life after escape from slavery.**
8. **Explain why Douglass was reluctant to write this book at first. What eventually led him to join the Abolition movement? How did he make a name for himself in the cause?**