

United States History 1865 to the Present

Supplemental Reading

Directions: In order to supplement the lecture material, the following books are recommended. Students should read each and prepare a five-paragraph essay on the book with a well-developed introduction and conclusion. The essay should include a summary of the author's arguments or a plot summary, what they learned from the book, and how it applies to the course.

Each essay should be submitted to the parent or facilitator according to the schedule below.

Suggested Reading:

Weeks 1-3: Philip Leigh, *Southern Reconstruction*.

Weeks 4-6: Candice Millard, *Destiny of the Republic: A Tale of Madness, Medicine and the Murder of a President*.

Weeks 7-9: William Walker, *Betrayal at Little Gibraltar: A German Fortress, a Treacherous American General, and the Battle to End World War I*.

Weeks 10-12: Henry Hazlitt, *Economics in One Lesson: The Shortest and Surest Way to Understand Basic Economics*.

Weeks 13-15: Stephen Kinzer, *All the Shah's Men: An American Coup and the Roots of Middle East Terror*.

Weeks 16-18: Heather MacDonal, *The Burden of Bad Ideas: How Modern Intellectuals Misshape Our Society*.