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## AP World History Summer Assignment: Writing

AP World History relies on written expression to show content knowledge. The basis of our writing uses the APE writing strategy.

**A** – Make an **ASSERTION**

**P** – **PROVE IT** using a specific piece of evidence, with definition

**E** – **EXPLAIN** how it supports your assertion

### Here's a non-content example:

<b>PROMPT:</b>	Identify and explain ONE thing you did over summer break.
<b>A</b>	One thing I did over summer break was <b>spend time in the water</b> .
<b>P</b>	One example of this is BARTON SPRINGS, <u>a naturally fed spring water pool in downtown Austin</u> , that I went to weekly with both my family and friends.
<b>E</b>	While at Barton Springs, I enjoyed getting in the cold water, swimming, floating and enjoying the chance to cool off in the hot Austin summer afternoons.

You'll see the assertion is **BOLDED**. The Proof is **CAPITALIZED** and the definition is underlined.

### Here's a content-based example:

<b>PROMPT:</b>	Identify and explain ONE cause for the increase of long-distance trade in the period 600 BCE to 600 CE.
<b>A</b>	One cause for increased long distance trade in the years 600 BCE to 600 CE was due to more peaceful interactions among empires.
<b>P</b>	This was made possible by things such as the Pax Romana, a 200 year period of Roman peace and stability within the empire from approximately 50 CE to 250 CE.
<b>E</b>	Because the very large Roman empire was stable and able to keep relative peace among neighboring empires, trade flourished without the threats of pirates, invasions or wars.

### APE Practice

Now it's your turn! Fill in the missing portions of the charts based on each prompt. Page numbers are given to help direct your acquisition of the content.

For each practice, mark the assertion, specific proof and definition using your own key. Mark that key in the chart below for your teacher to see.

<b>ASSERTION</b>	<b>PROOF</b>	<b>DEFINITION</b>

**ONE:** (pages 129 – 132)

<b>PROMPT:</b>	Identify and explain ONE reason for the fall of the Roman Empire.
<b>A</b>	
<b>P</b>	Attila the Hun, a viscous leader of the nomadic group, the Huns, continually threatened the Roman Empire with invasions and brutality.
<b>E</b>	The Roman Empire was not able to respond adequately to Attila's invasions, and therefore lost territory to the growing threats from the Huns and other barbarian tribes.

**TWO:** (pages 60 – 62)

<b>PROMPT:</b>	Identify and explain ONE way that the Han dynasty established political stability.
<b>A</b>	One way that the Han dynasty established political stability was through education.
<b>P</b>	
<b>E</b>	The Han dynasty ensured that their government workers were well educated, literate and capable, making their government stronger and more efficient.

**THREE:** (pages 99 – 101)

<b>PROMPT:</b>	Identify and explain ONE result of Alexander the Great's conquests.
<b>A</b>	One cultural result of Alexander the Great's conquests was the emergence of a new culture.
<b>P</b>	Hellenism, or a culture blended from Greek, Persian, Indian and Egyptian, emerged and established new cultural practices.
<b>E</b>	