

Name_____Date_____

American Literature
Current Events Assignment

This assignment is to be completed in 3 parts. Please read the directions below and complete the attached graphic organizers. Be sure to turn in a copy of you article or the URL if you read it on line

Part 1: The first part is a Precis of the current event article

Part 2: The second part should answer the following questions:

1. What is happening because of this event?
2. Who is it going to affect?
3. How is it going to affect a large population of the world, your community, your school, your family or you?
4. What is it that makes this event an important event?

Part 3: Extended response: the third part of the assignment is your reaction to what you read. Take a stand and say what you really think about the event and how this event will affect others. You may say whatever you believe here, but make sure that you support your opinion with facts from the current event.

What happened...

(Remember that different articles may give different information, answer as many as possible. Do not write in complete sentences; just write notes)

Who:

What:

Where:

When:

Why/How:

Why it matters...

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Grading Rubric

Precis is completed according to instructions given in class and is typed in MLA format. The source is correctly cited at the bottom ____/15

Questions are answered thoroughly, providing evidence from the text ____/15

Extended response is typed, following MLA format, thorough, logical, and well supported____15

Total____/45