

AP FRENCH SUMMER ASSIGNMENT

Your summer assignment will be threefold:

1. For the first part of your assignment, you will need to purchase an audio tape. On four occasions, you will record a three minute speech:
 - At the beginning of July, you will talk about what you have done so far during the vacations using a past tense (passé composé and imparfait).
 - On July 4th, you will talk about what you are doing on Independence Day using the present tense.
 - At the beginning of August, you will talk about your plans for the rest of the summer using the future tense.
 - Towards the end of the vacations, you will talk about what you would have done differently using the conditional.
2. Watch the French news once a week in its entirety using one of these two websites (www.tf1.fr or www.france2.fr). Click on Info then JT and choose a newscast(13 Heures or 20 Heures)
3. Find and report on **three** news articles. Each report should include a brief summary, but more importantly should include your interpretation and reaction to each article. Consider answering the following questions as you write your reports:
 - What is the importance of this story?
 - What effects does it have on other areas of society?
 - Why did this event happen the way it did?
 - What do you see happening next?

You should find three articles, one from each of the following categories:

- News from a French-speaking country
- News from any other country
- Topic of your choice

You should draw your articles exclusively from credible news sources. If you need help getting started, check out the following resources. An Internet search for http://globegate.utm.edu/french/globegate_mirror/infos.html will get you started on how to read a French newspaper. The following link will provide you with francophone newspapers categorized by region.
<http://globegate.utm.edu/french/topics/newspapers.html>

Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Accomplishes the task• Includes details• Connects ideas to task
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Organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exhibits a logical and coherent sequence • Has a beginning, middle, and end • Makes smooth transitions
Vocabulary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes a variety of vocabulary • Uses relevant and accurate words
Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject-verb agreement • Accurate use of tenses • Noun-adjective agreement • Correct word order • Spelling and accents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ All accents and other marks should be typed.
Format	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 150+ words per report • 12-point font (Arial or Times New Roman) • Double-spacing

Each response will be graded according to the following rubric.

If you have any questions over the summer, please send me an email at sgoeuriot@wcpss.net