

SUMMER READING 2018

WORLD HISTORY 7

THERE ARE TWO DIFFERENT SERIES BEING OFFERED TO THE STUDENTS FOR SUMMER READING. THE ASSIGNMENT IS TO SELECT ONE OF THE BOOKS FROM EITHER OF THE SERIES, READ IT, AND DO THE PROJECT FOR IT. THE PROJECT WILL BE A POWER POINT PRESENTATION USING GOOGLE SLIDES OR PREZI. A POWERPOINT RUBRIC IS ATTACHED.

Royal Diaries Series

"The Royal Diaries is a series of 20 books published by Scholastic Press from 1999 to 2005. In each of the books, a fictional diary of a real female figure of royalty as a child throughout world history was written by the author. The Royal Diaries was a spin-off of Scholastic's popular Dear America series. While Dear America, My Name Is America, and My America were all cancelled in 2004, The Royal Diaries continued until 2005.

Unlike *Dear America*, which consisted of diaries of young girls living during pivotal periods in American history, *The Royal Diaries* is a series that features women of royalty from all over the world. The series is fictional, though it involves real historical figures. Facts and images concerning the historical figure featured in the book are given at the end of each of the books." --An excerpt from Wikipedia

The following is a list of books that falls within the time period for the 7th grade World History class.

Cleopatra VII: Daughter of the Nile, Egypt, 57 B.C.

By Kristiana Gregory

Lady of Ch'iao Kuo: Warrior of the South, Southern China, 531 A.D.

By Laurence Yep

Sondok: Princess of the Moon & Stars, Korea, 595 A.D.

By Sheri Holman

Eleanor: Crown Jewel of Aquitaine, France, 1136

By Kristiana Gregory

Lady of Palenque: Flower of Bacal, Mesoamerica, A.D. 749

By Anna Kirwan

Isabel: Jewel of Castilla, Spain, 1466

By Carolyn Meyer

Anacaona: Golden Flower of Haiti, 1490

The Roman Mysteries by Caroline Lawrence

"The Roman Mysteries is a series of historical novels for children by Caroline Lawrence.... The books take place in the ancient Roman Empire during the reign of the Emperor Titus. They detail the adventures of four children who solve mysteries and have adventures in Ostia, Rome, Greece, and beyond: Flavia, a Roman girl who lives in Ostia; Nubia, a slave girl from Africa; Jonathan, a Jewish boy; and Lupus, a mute beggar boy."

--an excerpt from Wikipedia

The following are the first 9 books in the series. There are 17 books. They do not need to be read in order, so a student could choose any one of the books. However, I would recommend the first book [The Thieves of Ostia](#) since it is the first story introducing the characters.

The Thieves of Ostia
The Secrets of Vesuvius
The Pirates of Pompeii
The Assassins of Rome
The Dolphins of Laurentum
The Twelve Tasks of Flavia Gemina
The Enemies of Jupiter
The Gladiators from Capua
The Colossus of Rhodes