

A.P. European History – Dr. Hogge
Summer Reading, 2016

Students should read the novel *Candide*, by the French author Voltaire (François-Marie Arouet) before you come to class in September. The book is in the public domain, so if you do not wish to purchase the book you can find it on the web at Google Books <http://books.google.com/>, or Literature.org <http://www.literature.org/authors/voltaire/candide/>, at or at Project Gutenberg <http://www.gutenberg.org/etext/19942> among others.

On Tuesday, September 13th, you will be required to hand in a paper (which you will also submit to turnitin.com) of 3-5 pages, typed and double-spaced, answering the following questions:

Essay Question

How is *Candide* representative of the Enlightenment? Your paper should identify key specific themes that were typical of Enlightenment thinkers and analyze how Voltaire approaches these themes in the book. Be sure to use specific examples from the book to support your argument.

You will, of course, have to read about the Enlightenment in order to answer this essay question. You may either sign out one of the textbooks this summer or you can do the research on your own in a library.

You can email me over the summer if you have any questions (jhogge@shsd.org).

Good reading and I look forward to seeing you all in the fall!