AP Human Geography Current Events Journal Instructions

- 0. You <u>MUST</u> complete and submit the assignment, in the composition notebook you have acquired for this purpose, by the start of class in order to receive full credit. If the assignment is submitted after that time, it will count as late (-20% credit).
- 1. Each week, you will either be assigned two (2) <u>professional</u> articles or media pieces that relate in some way to Human Geography, or be assigned a choice of one and asked to find a second one on your own. Professional articles and pieces are those that are published by professional news or media organizations at some geographic scale (local, regional, global). If you are not certain, ask the instructor if an article or piece you have located meets this criterion.
- 2. For each piece, include the title of the piece, its author, and its date of publication. If it is found online, include the URL. Don't forget that you can use a link abbreviation like tinyURL or a Google short URL, and don't have the write out the full URL. Be sure that this is all included AND legible or you will not earn full credit.

If you have a screencap of the title/top page of the article/piece, and attach that directly to your journal entry, you will receive extra credit.

3. You should write three short paragraphs per article/piece in your notebook. You <u>MUST</u> include each of these three paragraphs for full credit.

FIRST PARAGRAPH (25%): a brief summary of the article. <u>Use your own words</u>. You will not receive credit if you simply cut-and-paste from the article/piece itself.

SECOND PARAGRAPH (50%): Explain how this relates to human geography. Be specific, and use vocabulary and terminology from the course. The quality of your explanations and your ability to connect to terms and vocabulary from the course are worth HALF the grade for the assignment. Aim to use at least three to five terms from the current APHuG unit, and EXPLAIN how they relate to the article.

THIRD PARAGRAPH (25%): give your opinion on the article/piece. You are encouraged to connect back to the concepts of human geography you discussed in the second paragraph, but you are also welcome to talk about any aspect of the article/piece you found personally interesting or significant.