

Welcome to AP Comparative Government and Politics! Fall 2009

Bring the following assignments to class with you on the first day of the 2009-2010 school year.

It is important that you stay up to date on international politics as you take on this exciting and challenging course. For that reason, you will write SIX journals, one on each of the six focus nations. You may use a print national news source such as a newspaper or a weekly news magazine or you may use a news site on the Internet. Be sure to check that this is a RELIABLE news site, suggestions are listed below. All articles must have been published in print or online in the year 2009. Include a copy of your article with your journal entry. If you have any questions or concerns you may contact Mrs. Poole at shpoole@aacps.org. (Amount of Time: 2 hours)

Suggested websites include:

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/> (BBC)

<http://www.foreignaffairs.org/> (Foreign Affairs)

<http://www.nytimes.com> (New York Times)

- Write 1/2 page summary and 1/2 page reflection for articles on each of the following nations:
 - The United Kingdom, Russia, Mexico, Nigeria, China and Iran
- Consider looking for articles about the national institutions and leaders, recent historical events (in the last 20 years), or social and economic issues.

QuickTime™ and a
TIFF (Uncompressed) decompressor
are needed to see this picture.

QuickTime™ and a
TIFF (Uncompressed) decompressor
are needed to see this picture.

QuickTime™ and a
TIFF (Uncompressed) decompressor
are needed to see this picture.



QuickTime™ and a
TIFF (Uncompressed) decompressor
are needed to see this picture.

QuickTime™ and a
TIFF (Uncompressed) decompressor
are needed to see this picture.