## **AP Euro Outside Reading Assignment**

Date Due:

Value: 75 points

You are to choose one of the books that follow on this paper. You should not choose a book that you have previously read, but one that interests you. You will read the **entire** book (bear in mind that I have read them all!) and then write a paper about that book. This project is designed to take a couple of months, so I suggest that you don't procrastinate! Papers should be 1200 - 2000 words. Word count should be included at the end of the paper. Must be typed and all sources (minimum of five) should be properly cited.

## **Prompt**

What is the author's thesis? Do you agree or disagree with that thesis? Why? What portions of this book would be most valuable to students of history? What is the author's agenda/Point of View/bias?

Atlas Shrugged - Ayn Rand

All Quiet on The Western Front – Remarque Erich Maria

Guns, Germs, & Steel - Jared Diamond

Collapse – Jared Diamond

A World Lit Only By Fire – William Manchester

The Prince – Niccolo Machiavelli

God's Jury: The Inquisition and the Making of the Modern World – Cullen Murphy

Galileo's Daughter – Dava Sobel

1421 – Gavin Menzies

A Short History of Nearly Everything – Bill Bryson

*The Industrial Revolutionaries* – Gavin Weightman

Empire – Niall Ferguson

Ascent of Money – Niall Ferguson

Dreadnaught - Robert Massie

Nicolas & Alexandra - Robert Massie

Castles of Steel - Robert Massie

Catherine The Great - Robert Massie

Nothing Like It In The World – Stephen

Ambrose

Citizen Soldiers – Stephen Ambrose

Band of Brothers – Stephen Ambrose

The First World War - John Keegan

The Second World War - John Keegan

Vietnam – Stanley Karnow

Rise & Fall of the Third Reich – William

Shirer

*The Fate of Africa* – Martin Meredith

The Fifty Year Wound - Derek Leebaert

*Infidel* – Ayaan Hirsi Ali

Nomad – Ayaan Hirsi Ali

*Thank You For Being Late* – Thomas

Friedman

The Ugly Renaissance – Alexander Lee

*The Platagenets* – Dan Jones

*The War of the Roses* – Dan Jones

City of Fortune – Roger Crowley

Four Princes – John Julius Norwich

Over the Edge of the World – Laurence

Bergreen