

**AP US History Reading Guide - Unit Seven 1844-1861 (Time Period 5)**  
**November 17-30**

Note: Please understand (*woe to the students who do not understand!!*) that when you come to class the material listed for that date is to be completed.

**Thursday Nov 17:**

*American Pageant* CH 17 (The Ascension of 'Tyler Too' - Misunderstandings with Mexico)

- A. What was the American interest in Texas?
- B. What are push v. pull factors in the westward movement in the mid-19th Century? (Oregon, California, Utah, etc)

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**Friday Nov 18:**

*American Pageant* CH 17 (Misunderstandings with Mexico - End)

- A. What is different about the causation of the Mexican-American War?
- B. Connect nationalism and sectionalism to the Mexican-American War

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**Monday Nov 21:**

Howard Zinn: "We Take Nothing By Conquest, Thank God"  
*American Pageant* CH 18 (The Popular Sovereignty Panacea - Twilight of the Senatorial Giants)

- A. Explain the debate between "Squatter Sovereignty and Popular Sovereignty.
- B. To what extent was the Free-Soil movement, a race-driven movement?
- C. In what ways will California upset the sectional balance?

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**Tuesday Nov 22:**

*American Pageant* CH 18 (Twilight of the Senatorial Giants - End)

- A. The change of leadership at the Congressional level is occurring. Why is that happening? How effective was this change?
  - B. Compromise of 1850 - What was it?
    - a. Was it the only option?
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**Wednesday, Thursday, Friday Nov 23-25 - Thanksgiving Break!!**



Stuff your belly's full of good food, enjoy your family and friends, watch some football, and take some time to be grateful for all that you have!

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**Monday Nov 28:**

*American Pageant* CH 19 (All of it)

Fergus M. Bordewich: *Bound for Canaan: Harriet Tubman, Harriet Beecher Stowe, and the Underground Railroad*

- A. To what extent was the Kansas Civil War a prelude to the Civil War?
- B. To what extent was Kansas a national story?
- C. In what ways did Northern literature inflame sectional animosities?
- D. Delineate the major pieces of the Dred Scott decision.
- E. In what ways did John Brown's raid convince southerners of a northern conspiracy to invade the south, and end slavery?
- F. In what ways did the Panic of 1857 affect southern attitudes about their dependency on Cotton, if at all?
- G. Explain why Lincoln's election was too much to overcome for southerners.
- H. What last-effort compromises failed?

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**Tuesday Nov 29:**

Ken Chowder: *The Father of American Terrorism*

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**Wednesday Nov 30:**

**\*\*\* All Reading Questions Due Today!!!\*\*\***

Review relevant sections of CH 17-19 in *Pageant*, and any primary/secondary sources we have read for your Unit 7 Quiz (1844-1861; Time Period 5)

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