

AP MACROECONOMICS 2011-12 SCHOOL YEAR  
SUMMER READING LIST AND ASSIGNMENT

**\*\*PLEASE NOTE THAT ADDITIONAL BOOKS WILL BE ADDED TO THIS LIST IN THE FALL; THE 3 LISTED BELOW WILL REMAIN.**

Choose **one book** to read from the following book list:

Naked Economics: Undressing the Dismal Science by Charles Wheelan

Richistan: A Journey through the American Wealth Boom and the Lives of the New Rich by Robert Frank

Affluenza: The All Consuming Epidemic by David Wann

**ASSIGNMENT: Pick one of the following to complete.**

- 1) Identify 5 quotes from the book that are quintessential to understanding the key concepts presented. Fully explain the quotes and their significance in a 3 to 5 page typed paper. Your paper should begin with a brief summary of the novel and identification of the key concepts. The quotes and their explanation then will reflect these key concepts of the book.
  
- 2) Written Analysis paper: You are to write a 3 to 5 page paper addressing the following items.
  - a. Describe 3 key problem areas for the United States Economy (You will need to do some additional research/reading from Newspaper and magazine sources)
  
  - b. According to the summer reading book you chose, why is the economy facing these problems? Should these problems be fixed? If so, how and by whom?