

## African American Experiences Home Learning Plan

March 16-20

### Goal: Complete Writing Assessment

While we are away from school this week, we will continue to work on our Writing Assessment. To this end, I have created a new section in One Note where we will be putting *all* classwork while Parker is closed. I will provide feedback in a rolling manner as you complete your tasks, so please continue to check your submissions for comments. In addition, you should feel free to e-mail me at any time with questions, or if necessary to schedule a conversation over the phone.

You have three tasks to work on during this time. This work is due in full on Monday March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8am. A task is complete if you have either uploaded a file to the space provided for that task in the Home Learning Plan or just entered text directly into the space. We don't necessarily know what will happen after that – with luck we'll be back in school, but if not I'll be sending out a new Work From Home Plan. Thanks so much for being flexible, and keep washing your hands! Task Descriptions below.

### Resources

Writing this paper will require you to make use of the following readings, all of which can be found in the Readings section of the Content Library for this class in One Note under Unit 1.

- Booker T Washington – Atlanta Exposition Address and Responses
- Booker T Washington PowerPoint
- Dudley Randall - Booker T and W.E.B.
- Harlem Renaissance PowerPoint
- Ida B Wells – Lynch Law in America
- Ida B Wells – Lynching and Jim Crow PowerPoint
- Langston Hughes - Theme for English B
- Marcus Garvey - Marcus Garvey and the Universal Negro Improvement Association
- Marcus Garvey and Alternative Solutions to Jim Crow
- Richard Wright – Native Son
- W.E.B. Du Bois – William Edward Burghardt Du Bois
- W.E.B. Du Bois PowerPoint
- Zora Neale Hurston – Short Stories

You can also use the overview for this assessment, which can be found in the Handouts section of the Content Library under Unit 1 Handouts

Finally, I have included a Claim Template and an Outline Template in the Home Learning folder if you think this will help you to structure your work.

### Task #1. Refine Claim (see notebook page in “Home Learning” folder)

To refine your claim, you need a **thematic idea** and a **question**. The themes we came up with in class were:

Gender Class Spirituality Essentialism Revolution Creating a New Nation Literacy Belonging 2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Citizenship Freedom Creation Voting Respect Entitlement/Rights Separation
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Black Nationalism Self Respect Racial Self Respect Authority Segregation Inequality Discrimination Race Relations (Proper) Race Relations (State Of) Race Relations (“Natural” State of) Black Identity White Identity Education Importance Education Discrimination Justice Black Culture (state of) Black Culture (how to reform) Black Culture (contributions of) Legacy of Slavery “Racial Uplift” Violence (Interracial) Violence (Intracial) Violence (Redemptive) Patriotism Pop Culture
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Our questions were:

- 1) How and why were African Americans during the early 20<sup>th</sup> century drawn to different ways to respond to the injustices they faced?
- 2) How did different writers and thinkers seem to understand the meaning of their identity as African Americans?
- 3) How did different writers and thinkers seem to characterize America and how to live in it?

Using these, create a claim. Your claim is meant to help you compare and contrast different views. Your claim should, therefore, be appropriately complex and should set you up to reference quotations and ideas from 5-6 different writers or thinkers over the course of your paper.

**Task #2: Organizational Plan or Outline (see notebook page in “Home Learning” folder)**

Create an organizational plan or outline for your paper. There is no specific required formatting for this, but please include the quotations you plan to use as evidence, listed in the order you plan to use, and try to indicate what each quotation or set of quotations will be used for.

**Task #3: Paper (see notebook page in “Home Learning” folder)**

Your paper should be 5-7 pages long in MLA format, including in-text citation. It should include an introduction that hooks the reader and introduces your claim and a conclusion that explains why your main idea is important. Your paper should be thoroughly proofread.

Good luck! Thank you for rolling with these strange circumstances!