

What I wish I'd known as an 8th Grader:

- Older students say that it is the “worst class ever,” but really, it’s not that bad!
- You’re probably used to not needing to study and still make an A...you won’t get away with that in AP!
 - Study LONG before the quiz/test, not the night before!
- Don’t procrastinate (on anything...including summer reading)!
- You need to learn how to manage your time.
- Make sure to read the chapters so you’re better prepared for class, quizzes, and tests.
- The pace of the class is much faster than you are used to.
- The course is hard, but don’t get discouraged. It takes a little time to adjust but you will find success!
 - You will not always make an “A” on every piece of the material. But you will learn and grow throughout the year.
- Make sure to use some form of an agenda/calendar so that time is better managed and you don’t forget about assignments.
- Need to learn how to work on your own/take on more responsibility outside of the classroom
- Proof read assignments more than once!
- The expectations are high, you will not be “babied” in class.

What I enjoy about the class/how I have benefitted from it:

- It is definitely preparing us for college (work load, study habits, etc.)
- I’ve learned how to take notes well.
- The class is not your usual “history” class. This is about people, culture, and current events.
- What I’m learning I can apply to my real life.
- It opens my mind and gives me perspectives I never would’ve had before.
- The course is taught using a variety of styles and activities.
- We’ve learned how to write properly and apply concepts and information.