

Seven Seminal Stories



Course Description:

You'll be transported back in time to join Bartolome de las Casas as he steps onto the hot sands of the Bahamas and is greeted by hundreds of Arawaks. You will hear his tales of gold, intrigue, and horror as he is witness to "acts so foreign to human nature" that he is reluctant to record these black deeds. Thus begins our journey through Seven Seminal Stories.

In this course we will examine in depth seven events that have changed the course of world history! We will approach these earth-changing developments as the dramatic tales they are- keeping in mind that story is 5/7ths of **History**.

Focus will not only be on story-time, but on utilizing the habits of a historian (research, analysis, synthesis, and publication). All students will create a History Day project and may have the opportunity to participate in Minneapolis' Regional Event. We will work together to create the best projects possible!

Remember, *everyone* loves a good story...

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Requirements

Students will be prepared for each class.

Students will participate in class.

Students will complete each assignment with their utmost effort.

Students will use their planner.

Students who are responsible for getting assignments when absent.