**Social Studies 8**

Ms. Nightingale

2015-2016

There are three main units we will be covering this year:

**1) Japan: From Isolation to Adaptation**

**2) Renaissance Europe: Origins of a Western Worldview**

**3) Worldviews in Conflict: The Spanish and the Aztecs**

Each unit will contain quizzes, assignments, a unit final and/or project.

**Current Events**

On the last school day of each month, students will be required to find a current event (newspaper, online, etc.) and detail it in a short assignment. In total, there will need to be 10 current events. There will be a detailed handout of the process.

Daily Assignments..........................................20%

Major Assignments........................................30%

Quizzes............................................................10%

Final Projects/Unit Finals................................20%

Current Events...............................................10%

Final exam......................................................10%

**Resources:**

Worldviews: Contact and Change - Textbook

**Late Assignment Policy**

An assignment may be docked up to 5% each day it is late up to a maximum of 50%. If there are circumstances that prevent completion of an assignment/project, please meet with me to discuss this AHEAD of time.

**Rewrite Policy**

**If a student received lower than 50% on a quiz or unit final, they may re-write the quiz at a later date**. This needs to be arranged by the STUDENT. If the student fails to arrange a re-write, they will not be given another opportunity to do so.

**General Information**

* It is the expectation of the student to keep a tidy and organized binder throughout the school year. It is also expected that assignments and projects are to be completed on time. Students are responsible for class work and/or assignments missed in the event the student is away from school.
* Expectations:
  + Arrive on time with *ALL REQUIRED MATERIALS.*
  + Be prepared to work, listen and participate.
  + Hand in all assignments/projects on time with your name and date on it.
  + Only quality work will be accepted. Anything deemed to be of low quality will be handed back without a mark.
  + Respect must be regarded at ALL times.
* Materials and Supplies Required:
  + 3 ring binder, loose leaf/scribbler, dividers.
  + Pencils, pens, pencil crayons, ruler, etc.
  + Issues for Canadians Textbook
  + Agenda (of your choice)

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Please feel free to ask for clarification with any work you may be having difficulty with. I am looking forward to working with you this year.

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