

## Social Studies

### Summer Reading 2017 Grade 12 United States Government & Politics (CP, Honors and AP\*)

All rising twelfth graders are required to read Salt to the Sea, by Ruta Sepetys, published by Penguin Books, Great Britain (2016) (ISBN 978-0-141-34740-0). Your reading will be evaluated as follows:

1. All students will take a quiz on the book during the first week of classes in September.
2. All students will be expected to participate in brief class discussion/ activities based on the book during the first week of classes in September.
3. All students must submit a **typed double-spaced one to two page essay** responding to the prompt listed below at the first class meeting in September.

**The quiz and the essay together will count as a test grade on your first term United States Government & Politics grade.**

### Grade 12-United States Government & Politics-Prompt

As you read the book, consider how a people are defined by their citizenship or lack of citizenship. Identify and discuss three of the characters and explain how each was affected by his or her citizenship status. How does one's relationship with one's country impact one's life? **Use at least three specific examples (one for each character) from the book and include page numbers in MLA format for each example. You will be graded on the following:**

### Focus Correction Areas

**Typed and printed** narrative description of the three characters and one example for each character of how historical events affected him/her described with specific details from the book.

70%

Neat, professional appearance, regular letter-sized paper 8 1/2", name and period on top front page of paper Proper grammar, spelling, etc.

15%

At least three MLA formatted citations

15%

\*AP students will have additional assignments to be distributed separately.