

APEC SUMMER ASSIGNMENT 2009

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1. Purchase The Prince by Niccolo Machiavelli at any local bookstore. (Signet Classic/Penguin Classics for \$4.95 ...126 page mini-book)
2. Read The Prince (The introduction will give you great insight towards your written assignment).
3. Briefly summarize each of the twenty-six chapters/points of Machiavellian rule. (Two bulleted notes for each point)
4. Select one leader from the following list to study. Then read a biographical (8-15 pages) or historical account of their life's works.
5. Suleiman the Magnificent (Turkish Empire)
Otto von Bismarck (Prussia/Germany)
Napoleon III (France) (**not** Napoleon Bonaparte)
Charles V (Holy Roman Empire)
Joseph II (Austria-Holy Roman Empire)
Vladimir Lenin (Soviet Union)
Klemens von Metternich (Austria)
Ferdinand/Isabella (Spain) Louis XIV (France)
Maria Theresa (Austria) Frederick II 'the Great' (Prussia)
Henry VIII (England) Peter I 'The Great' (Russia)
Elizabeth I (England) Catherine II 'The Great' (Russia)
Charles I (England) Nicholas II (Russia)
Oliver Cromwell (England) Joseph Stalin (USSR)
Cardinal Richelieu (France) Philip II (Spain)
Napoleon Bonaparte (France) Alexander II (Russia)
6. Using specific examples from the leader's political decisions, explain the extent to which the leader you have studied from *Step 4* applied Machiavellian tactics in his/her rule. Be sure to note the specific Machiavellian point that is evident in each political policy that you examine. *Step 5* is to be written as a two-page essay (MLA format).
7. This assignment is **due the second day of class**. We will be studying Machiavelli's work during our first unit (Italian Renaissance).

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