

CSHS A.P. Biology – Summer Assignment, 2008

The following needs to be completed by each student prior to the first day of school in August:

Textbooks:

Biology, by Raven and Johnson, 6th edition. ISBN # 0-07-303120-8

Come by the Senior High School Office beginning June 2nd to check out a textbook **OR** you may purchase a USED book online. (Advantage? You can write in a STUDENT OWNED book!) Please note: Do not purchase newer editions (currently an 8th edition!) as the chapter /page #'s will not match my syllabus if you purchase anything other than the 6th edition. Newer editions are also MUCH MORE EXTENSIVE!!

Summer Assignments:

Send a message to Martinsh@cisdmail.com from an email address you check regularly and give me your choice of a PASSWORD . Quia ASSIGNS the User ID. I will send back your User ID/ password. Use these to access summer reading quizzes. Summer assignments by month are:

- 1) chapter # 24 - Population Ecology
- 2) chapter # 25 - Community Ecology
- 3) chapter # 28 - Dynamics of Ecosystems Quiz ch.24,25,28 until **10 pm, June 30th**
- 4) chapter # 29 -The Biosphere
- 5) chapter # 30 - The Future of the Biosphere Quiz ch.29,30 until **10 pm, July 30th**
- 5) chapter # 5 - Cell Structure
- 6) chapter # 6 - Membranes Quiz ch. 5,6 until **10 pm, Aug 25,2008**

Assessing comprehension of Summer Material:

- 1) Quiz access is found at <http://www.quia.com/pages/2007apbiology.html> On-line quizzes are given all year. I also post my syllabus, labs and notes on this site. Bookmark this page for easy access.
- 2) Access to a previous month's quiz is denied once a new month begins. You may take summer reading quizzes earlier than required, you may NOT take them LATE. This provides flexibility for students attending camps, on vacation, etc.. PLAN AHEAD NOW based on your summer schedule!
- 3) QUIZZES ARE TIMED. You are logged OFF when time expires. A timer is shown on the page.
- 4) Do NOT press the **browser's BACK Arrow** or use the **Backspace key** during the quiz ...The program "kicks you out", you can't re-enter. You can move between questions, shown one at a time, but once you hit "submit" for a question you CAN NOT change the answer for that question.
- 3) **TEST** over Ecology chapters will be given within the first 3 weeks of school!

Formula for success:

A.P. Biology students need **at least** 1 hour of study for each hour in class. Complete all reading assignments prior to lecture. Ask questions in class. DO NOT wait until the day before a test for tutoring. Study SEVERAL DAYS before an exam – you CAN NOT cram the night before!! Learn to manage your time. I have high expectations for my students but these tough standards prepare students for success on the AP exam. Have a great summer and I look forward to meeting you this fall. Email if you have any questions. I check emails about once a week over the summer.

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