

AP Research Summer Assignment

You need to watch the documentary, "Freakonomics", this summer. The video is available for free if you or anyone in your family has a public library card. Once you have the card you can stream the movie from the "Hoopla" app for free. Of course you can always purchase the documentary through Amazon and sometimes it will come up on Netflix.

Once you watch the documentary, answer the questions that are attached. In addition, everyone in class will be required to answer questions about the documentary in front of the class to practice their presentation skills.

Scoring:

1. 40 points for the questions (10 points a piece)
2. 60 points for the presentation
 - Knowledge of the material = 20 points
 - *Full knowledge of the material = 20 points
 - *Partial knowledge of the material = 10 points
 - *Limited knowledge of the material = 5 points
 - Presentation skills = 40 points
 - *Presentation and answering of questions are of a high caliber = 40 points
 - *Medium caliber = 25 points
 - *Low caliber = 15 points

Directions: After watching the documentary, "Freakonomics", answer the questions below. In addition, be prepared to answer questions about the documentary in front of the class.

1. List all the different research experiments that were occurring in the movie.

2. Picking one of the research experiments, answer the following:
 - a. What research question is being studied?
 - b. What method of research is being conducted by the researchers?
 - c. What are some of the variables that the researchers had to account for in their study?

- d. What different perspectives and lenses do you see in the study?
 - e. What was their final conclusion?
3. What is the basis of the freakonomic model?
4. Was there anything unethical about any of the research studies being done? If so, explain your answer and provide examples.