

**This 100 point assignment is equivalent to a test grade.  
Due: May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016)**

## **Global Issues (Book Report)**

Read a book that you haven't read before that discusses global issues, cultures different from your own, and/or a human rights topic and write a **book report**. See below for a partial list of possible books and guidelines for the report.

### *Book Report Guidelines:*

1. Your report should demonstrate a reflective understanding of the book of your choosing. If at any point you copy paste someone else's thoughts or regurgitate what someone else has said, this opportunity will be voided.

2. **Be sure to identify the book you have selected in your paper.**

3. Your report should be typed, single-spaced, and use 12 point Times New Roman font.

4. You must include five full paragraphs (minimum of at least 5-6 sentences):

- 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph: Give a brief **summary** of the book. **MAXIMUM** 8 sentences for this paragraph only.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph: Discuss a part of the book that was of interest to you, **surprised** you, or was new information to you.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph: Discuss some things that you **agree with/identify with**? Use specific examples (passages, quotes) of the book to support your answer.
- 4<sup>th</sup> paragraph: Discuss ways in which the information in the book might be **useful** to you. What do you wish you could find out more about? Does the book inspire you take action? If so, in what way?
- 5<sup>th</sup> paragraph: What **questions** do you still have about the issues raised by the author of the book? If you could ask the author 3 questions, what would they be **and why**?

*Book Choices and Authors:* Check with our OC librarians for copies or the Oldham County Public Library.

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| ➤ A Long Way Gone (Memoirs of a Boy Soldier) - Ishmael Beah | ➤ Mountains Beyond Mountains - Tracy Kidder      |
| ➤ Sold - Patricia McCormick                                 | ➤ Kaffir Boy or Miriam's Song - Mark Mathabane   |
| ➤ Chandra's Secret or Chandra's War - Allan Stratton        | ➤ Stones into Schools - Greg Mortenson           |
| ➤ A Crime So Monstrous - Benjamin Skinner                   | ➤ King Leopold's Ghost - Adam Hochschild         |
| ➤ Half the Sky - Nicholas Kristof & Sheryl WuDunn           | ➤ How to Change the World - David Bornstein      |
| ➤ Hot, Flat and Crowded - Thomas Freidman                   | ➤ 28 Stories of Aids in Africa - Stephanie Nolan |
|   | ➤ Escape from Camp 14 - Blaine Harden            |

**Do you have a different idea for a book? SEE ME to discuss BEFORE you write your report.**

- **OCHS library - Mrs. Unker in our library can be a huge resource in finding a book that is on or off this list.**
- **Oldham County Main Public Library has also pulled these books for easy check-out. Just ask at the front desk.**

