

## United States History II Honors

### Summer Assignment, 2018

**Due: First day of class, September, 2018**

**I. Read :** Fallout, by Todd Strasser (2013) This is a work of historical fiction that takes place when an unthinkable nuclear attack occurs in an alternate-reality in 1962. Scott is forced into his father's bomb shelter with his family and neighbors, where they rapidly consume limited supplies and fear the worst about the fate of the world outside.

**II. Answer the following questions from your reading:**

1. Before the attack, Mr. Shaw makes fun of the bomb shelter but afterward he forces himself and his family into it and even keeps others out . Do you think he is a hypocrite? What would you have done in that situation?
2. Why was Mrs. Porter opposed to building the bomb shelter? Why does Mr. Porter decide to build it anyway? Before the attack, which parent would you have agreed with? Why?
3. What are Scott's greatest worries in the days after the attack? What are they as days go on?
4. For Scott the worst part of being in the bomb shelter is "the way adults act". What is the difference of the behavior of the children and that of the adults in the shelter? Why can't the adults get along?

Your response must be typed and in paragraph form. (Do not forget to restate the question in your answer.) Please use a 12-point font, double-space and 1-inch margins. Spelling and grammar count.

**Assessment:** Quiz grade

Enjoy your summer!

Sincerely, Mrs. Valentine

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