

**The Catholic High School of Baltimore
Summer Reading Assignment**

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Grade Level: 11

Course No.: 231

Course Name: US Government and Politics

Academic Level (Honors/AP/CP/CPA): Honors

Podcasts:

We The People

<https://constitutioncenter.org/debate/podcasts>

We The People is a weekly show of constitutional debate hosted by National Constitution Center President and CEO Jeffrey Rosen where listeners can hear the best arguments on all sides of the constitutional issues at the center of American life. You will be responsible for listening to FOUR podcasts and writing reflections on each. The rubric for the reflections follows. I suggest that you stick with topics that are more government related. There are over 350 topics, so scroll through the playlist to find topics that are of the most interest to you.

Podcast Assignment (10 points each)

1. **Bi-Monthly Assignment** – Every two weeks, select a podcast to listen to and review.
2. **Logistics** –
 - Summarize each podcast in 5-10 sentences including the topic, names of guests, and key points discussed. (5 points)
 - Write a reaction to this podcast either on the issue itself, how the issue was presented, or its implications for the government. (5 points)
3. **Format** –Type your summary and reaction following the appropriate TCHS guidelines for the proper heading and turn your work into Google Classrooms, or email it to me.
4. **Due Dates for the podcasts** –
July 9th; July 23rd; August 6th; and August 20th

If you have any questions as you go, please contact me at
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