

St. Anthony High School
Summer Literacy Project
* * * 11th Grade * * *

Overview

This summer you'll begin a literacy project that will be completed in your English class in the first couple of weeks of school. There will likely be a component due in your American history class, as well. The objective is to establish an historical and literary foundation for the study of American literature and history.

Text: *Navajo Origin Legend* by Alexander M. Stephen

Click the underlined ISBN# to check out the pricing on Amazon. ([ISBN #978-160506901-2](https://www.amazon.com/dp/9781605069012))

This is a small text which recounts the Navajo legend. Traditionally, Native American legends were passed down orally. This story was transcribed in 1885.

You may buy a hardcopy or through Amazon or iTunes. **This book is not available in an ebook format.**

Directions

1. Read the Navajo legend.
2. Choose one other Native American tribe and read the origin story of that tribe.
Use a .org or .edu site for this research on the origin stories.
Here are a few options, but you have the freedom to choose another tribe if you'd like.
 - * Sioux (https://chnm.gmu.edu/exploring/pre_18thcentury/creationstories/pop_sioux.html)
 - * Ute (<https://www.southernute-nsn.gov/history/creation-story/>)
 - * Blackfoot (<http://www.pitt.edu/~dash/blkftcreation.html>)
 - * Lakota (<http://aktalakota.stjo.org/site/News2?page=NewsArticle&id=8816>)
3. Research both of these tribes (Navajo and your own chosen tribe). You must have at least six sources (3+ for each tribe).

Bookmark Sources... For each tribe collect the following:

- The origin story and at least one other story/poem/song
- Background and descriptions of each tribe and its history
- A map of the region where the tribe lived/settled
- At least three artifacts (images) representative of/produced by each tribe

If at any point you run into trouble please email Ms. Ball at marciea.ball@longbeachsaints.org or Ms. Brooks at Ericka.brooks@longbeachsaints.org for help.

Have a great summer vacation and we will see you in the fall SAINTS!!!