HONORS ECONOMICS CURRENT EVENTS ANALYSIS

Throughout the course you will be analyzing a series of current events that relate to what you are learning in the class. For Units 1-4, you will select a recent article (within the last month) from a newspaper, magazine, or the internet to complete an in-depth analysis connecting the article to economics. The objective is for you to demonstrate an understanding of economics and the relevance of economics to current events. Additionally, you will increase your understanding of world and national events. For each summary, you need to use a different periodical source. For example, for Unit 1 you might use politico.com, for Unit 2 cnn.com, for Unit 3 foxnews.com, etc.

The Articles and Analysis
You will write an analysis for each current event you choose. Each analysis should consist of three paragraphs composed with the following content:

1. **Paragraph One**
   What source was used for the article? (I don’t need the link, just where it came from)
   Summarize and give a brief explanation of the content and theme written in your own words. BE THOROUGH. I should know what the article is about from this paragraph.

2. **Paragraph Two**
   Explain how the article relates to the current economics unit and what specific economics vocabulary and concepts relate to the article. You should have between 4-5 connections and the vocabulary terms should be highlighted or underlined.

3. **Paragraph Three**
   Explain why you selected the article. What did you find interesting?
   Give your opinion of the issues discussed in the article.
   Predict how the events discussed in the article will impact our macro economy (economy as a whole).
   Recommend or propose economic policies you believe will be beneficial to the issue.

*Each article should be typed, single-spaced, Times New Roman or Arial, 12-Point Font, 1” Margins, at least 1 page and MLA format for the heading.*

Grading

- Neatness/Spelling/Grammar......10 Points
- Article Choice and Format.........10 Points
- Summary and Analysis..............80 Points
  - Paragraph 1: 10 points
  - Paragraph 2: 40 Points (Content) 10 Points (Vocabulary)
  - Paragraph 3: 20 Points

*Total........................................100 Points*

*Articles will be due every unit the day of the test, but you can turn them in early at any time. Late articles will be penalized by 20% on the first day, and 50% every day after. No articles will be accepted once the next unit test has been given*