Summer AP U.S. Government and Politics Summer Assignment

This assignment is to give background information for the start of this class. Some of the information in this assignment will likely be on the first unit test and the AP test. Other information will help you understand what we will be discussing in the first unit and beyond. I encourage you to watch each video, all the way through in the next few days. They are meant to be funny and enjoyable, so just kick back and watch. Then go back and watch them again, focusing on answering the questions. Yes, the second video is by the same John Green that wrote The Fault in our Stars.

Please answer all the questions using complete sentences. Some can be answered with simple answers, but on the AP exam, you will need to answer all writing questions in sentence formats.

Watch the following video on youtube.com, [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3EiSymRrKI4](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3EiSymRrKI4). If this link doesn’t work, look up Who Won the American Revolution?: Crash Course US History #7 on youtube.com.

Based on this video, answer the following question:

1. Describe and give at least one example why the American Revolution was a real revolution?
2. Describe and give at least one example why the American Revolution was not a real revolution?

Watch the following video on youtube.com, [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QOtJNK5_8Uk](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QOtJNK5_8Uk). If this link doesn’t work, look up The Articles of Confederation for Dummies on youtube.com.

*Here is a little help with the Tina and Ike Turner analogy. Tina Turner was married to Ike Turner and they were famous musical stars in the 70’s and 80’s. Tina gradually became more popular than her abusive husband and she eventually got smart and left him.*

Based on this video, answer the following question:

1. Describe how power is divided in Federalism.
2. Describe the branches of government were there in the Articles of Confederation.
3. Explain the fundamentally good law that was passed under the Articles of Confederation.
4. Explain three things that were bad about the Articles of Confederation.
5. Describe what was the “ugly” of the Articles of Confederation.
6. Describe Shay’s Rebellion using specific facts/examples.
7. Explain why did Shay’s Rebellion lead to the end of the Articles of Confederation?
8. Explain what the Annapolis Convention was and what was the most important outcome of it.