

A LIST OF READINGS FOR THE BA EXAM IN 2024

1. J. de Crevecoeur, "Letters From an American Farmer" Letter III: What is an American?, pp.1-12
2. The Declaration of Independence
3. Declaration of Sentiments
4. Martin Luther King "I Have a Dream"
5. Alexis De Tocqueville "Democracy in America," Introduction 3-6, Vol.2 Part Two, ch. 1 (479-482), ch.2 (482-484), ch. 5 (485-492)
6. Peculiar Institution, Slaves Tell Their Own Story, pp. 173-179, 186-197
7. Booker T. Washington, Up from Slavery – chapter 14
8. W.E.B. DuBois, Souls of Black Folk – chapter 3
9. President Andrew Jackson's Message to Congress "On Indian Removal"
10. John O'Sullivan "Annexation" (Manifest Destiny)
11. William McKinley Defends US Expansion
12. Frederick Jackson Turner "The Significance of the Frontier in American History" ch.1
13. Emma Lazarus, "The New Colossus"
14. Jacob Riis, "How the Other Half Lives," new edition, ch. 3
15. Max Weber, The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism, "Churches and Sects in North America," pp. 203-217
16. Max Weber, The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism, "The Spirit of Capitalism," pp. 39-41; 102-108; 113-115; 122-124
17. Andrew Carnegie, "The Gospel of Wealth"
18. Jane Jacobs, "The Death and Life of Great American Cities," pp.152-168
19. American Graffiti, movie 1973
20. Martin Luther King "Letter From Birmingham Jail"
21. Malcolm X "The Ballot or the Bullet"
22. Betty Friedan, "The Feminine Mystique"
23. Stephanie Coontz, "A Strange Stirring: The Feminine Mystique and American Women at the Dawn of the 1960s," ch. 9