

# **AMERICAN CULTURAL STUDIES**

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# AMERICAN CULTURAL APPROACH

21st century skills

# **VIDEO DISCLAIMER, COURSE AGREEMENT**

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# TASKS

# READING/WATCHING/LISTENING



# REFLECTIVE WRITING

# PREPARATION FOR COLLABORATION

# GENERATING SITE CONTENT

# COLLABORATIVE GLOSSARY

# FORUM DISCUSSION

# MULTIMEDIA (MIND MAPS)

**TIME.**

# **NEW ASSIGNMENTS REPLACE OLD ONES**

Previous week's tasks will be erased



# **INTERCULTURAL EXTRANEITY . COM / FORUM**









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# HISTORY

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- 1970s on: CA labs and institutes (Palo Alto+) (e.g. Seely Brown's IRL ->CoP, Xerox PARC); UC Santa Cruz History of Consciousness; Stanford...

# **COUNTERCULTURE, CYBERCULTURE, CAPITAL**

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**WHY DOES THIS MATTER?**

# PERSONAL DEPTH

# DOOM SCROLLING THE DIREHOSE OF INFORMATION

# PERSONAL AGENCY, EXPRESSION



# MEANINGFUL ACTION

# JOHN DEWEY:

... the basic freedom is that of freedom of mind and of whatever degree of freedom of action and experience is necessary to produce freedom of intelligence. The modes of freedom guaranteed in the Bill of Rights are all of this nature: Freedom of belief and conscience, of expression of opinion, of assembly for discussion and conference, of the press as an organ of communication. They are guaranteed because without them individuals are not free to develop and society is deprived of what they might contribute. Dewey, J. (1946). "Democracy and Education," Problems of Men.

**TIME**

**WHAT WOULD PEOPLE IN THE FUTURE SAY ABOUT THE  
PRESENT?**