

Tips to make your interactive learning log work for you

Use these tips to help you make the most of this notebook as a study and learning tool.

- **Use color:** Color-coding key phrases and terms is one way to make sure that they stick in your mind. For example, if there are unfamiliar terms/phrases you come across in your reading or viewing of videos, you might write them down in red ink. If there are questions you have about something you've seen/read, highlight them in yellow so that when you come to class the next day, you can remember to ask about them.
- **Don't tear any pages out:** You want to keep the entire notebook intact. Ideally, this notebook will be your study guide for in-class tests as well as the AP exam in May. We will do some sort of interactive activity in your notebook nearly every day.
- **Create pockets for items such as flash cards or handouts that do not fit easily into the notebook:** Sometimes I will have you make flashcards or give you a handout that does not readily fit into the notebook. Use a half-sheet of paper or a 5x8 index card and some tape to create a pocket for these things to fit into.
- **Write down questions you have about things you do not understand:** Do this, and highlight them in a certain color so that you can ask about them in class the next period!
- **KEEP THINGS IN ORDER.** Don't put things from one unit in another unit's section.
- **Tab off sections by unit of study:** This will help you keep your materials organized in a way that makes sense. I have an example of a BILL like this for you to look at.
- **Keep it neat and organized!:** If your BILL isn't neat and organized, you will find it difficult to use this notebook as a study tool.

We will use our BILL on a daily basis so be sure to bring it to class each period.