

Extra Credit Opportunities (+5 points each on any exam)

****DUE TO ME BY EMAIL (lockej@uhv.edu) BY THE END OF THE DAY FRIDAY, MAY 16 (THE END OF UHV'S FINALS PERIOD)****

- **Choose one** of the following two options for +5 points on any exam:
 - Review an episode of *Crash Course History* (Pick one from episodes 23-43; <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL8dPuuaLjXtMwmepBjTSG593eG7ObzO7s>) on YouTube. In an informal one-page review, answer the question: Would this have been useful for you in this class?
 - Read the introduction and one additional section (other than the conclusion) of one chapter (pick from chapters 16-30) from *The American Yawp* (www.americanyawp.com). In an informal one-page (double-spaced) review, tell me what you read about and whether or not you think the section would be a good tool for a class like ours.
- **Choose one** of the following two options for +5 points on any exam:
 - In an informal, one-page response, answer the following: How would you describe your personal relationship to the study of the American past? Does it seem relevant to you? Do you feel a part of it? Or does it all seem alien?
 - You likely took this class because you had to. But write an informal one-page essay that answers the question, What exactly do you (or did you) want to get out of an American history course?
- You may, additionally, **complete the following** for +5 points on any exam:
 - To understand historical events, historians read primary sources, typically documents written by people who experienced them. As I wrote when we moved online, I used to tell students that, while we've certainly experienced "history," we haven't really had a sudden, major historical event since 9/11. The Covid-19 pandemic certainly seems like it qualifies. In at least one full page—and feel free to write more—provide a primary source for understanding the present situation. What has been your experience? How did you encounter all of this? How have you been affected? What do you think about everything that's going on?