



## ELIZABETH'S ASSIGNMENTS

Below are sample podcast-centric assignments based on those used by *Footnoting History* founder and alumni Elizabeth Keohane-Burbridge in her high school history classes.

### Modern World History

Episode: [The Life and Crimes of Caravaggio.](#)

Define "Renaissance Man" and determine if Caravaggio fits your definition. What does that reveal about the term?

Episode: [The Reformation Was Global: Akbar, the Mughal Empire, and Divine Faith.](#)

Would you use the word "reformation" to describe what happened in the Mughal Empire? What does this episode reveal about religious tolerance in the Mughal Empire?

Episode: [The Royal Teeth of Louis XIV.](#)

Write a response on how absolute monarchy did not mean absolute medical care the way we imagine it today. Would you want to be an absolute monarch in the 1600s? Why or why not?

Episode: [Poison in Colonial India.](#)

Explain what datura is and how British officials felt about it. What motivation for imperialism by the British does this episode show and why?

### AP US History

Episode: [American Indian Prisoners of War.](#)

Reflect on the shifting concept of slavery and compare Native American slavery to what you know about African slavery in the Americas. How did the concept of slavery change over time in the Americas?

Episode: [The Marriage of John Quincy and Louisa Adams.](#)

Did John and Louisa's relationship fit a new pattern of marriage and how did their relationship reflect the American upper class of the early 1800s?

Episodes: [Martha, the Last Passenger Pigeon](#) and [Jumbo the Elephant.](#)

Do these episodes demonstrate change or continuity in the treatment of animals in the late 19th and early 20th century?

Episode: [Yolande Du Bois and the Weight of W.E.B. Du Bois's Dreams.](#)

How was her life shaped by her father's belief in the Talented Tenth?

Episodes: [Belle Gunness: Black Widow Serial Killer](#) and [Distrust of Chinese-Americans in Early 20th-Century New York City.](#)

Explain the diverse reactions to crimes committed by members of these different immigrant communities.