Happy Monday to all,

I hope you are all staying warm in this “balmy” May weather we have seen lately. The good news is it looks like we will we be warming up as the week goes on, so hopefully you will find a chance to go out and have some fun.

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Now that I have the weather report out of the way, I should probably take some time to explain the base grade assignment that I added to livegrades recently. That grade is your 3rd nine weeks grade multiplied by 5. So, if you had an 80%, you received 400 of the possible 500 points. That is the grade you start out with for the 4th nine weeks. Any of the assignments I have sent you since we have been out of school can only help you from that base.  **I will still accept work you have not submitted to me**, so you still have a chance to improve that grade.

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**Informational Summary Writing Assignment: May 11, 2020**

This week’s assignment builds off the literature summary assignment. This time you will read an informational article and give me a quick run-down of the information.

Just as in the last assignment, summary writing does not include your opinion about the writing or topic. You are simply expected to give the important information gathered in a short and concise writing.

1. Read the following website as a reminder of how to write a summary:

<https://hmhfyi.com/6-12/reading-tips/key-ideas-and-details/summarize-informational-text/>

**2.** Choose an article that interests you from the following link. Make sure that you have the article on your reading level by clicking the “Grade 5-6" or “Grade 7-8" button.

<https://www.tweentribune.com/>

**3.** Write a 1 to 2 paragraph summary of your chosen article.

**4.**  Send me your work through livegrades or as an email.

Stay safe and have fun with your summarizing,

Mr. Varney