Homework for next week

Starting next week, we will have “Academic discussions.” It’s like the “Book discussions that we had in the first half of the year, but there is no book. You have videos to watch and texts to read. 12 questions.

# Project 1: Academic discussion 2A **Immunity (Unit 4)**

Take out a sheet to take quick notes. Then, read the text and watch the videos. Take a few notes: What are the most important ideas? What seems the most relevant to the course we’re taking? Re-read those notes quickly just before class starts next week.

* Reading in *Academic Inquiry* (p.126) “Asking for an Outbreak of Preventable Diseases”
* TED Talk: “Why we need to fight misinformation about vaccines”  
  <https://youtu.be/zELJMIQawys>

*Ethan Lindenberger never got vaccinated as a kid. So one day, he posted a simple question on a chatroom: "Where do I go to get vaccinated?" The post went viral, landing Lindenberger in the middle of a heated debate about vaccination.*

* TED Talk: “How American and Chinese values shaped the coronavirus response”

<https://youtu.be/prUWMuG0cfY>

*To combat COVID-19, countries have enforced city-wide shutdowns, stay-at-home orders and mask mandates — but the reaction (and adherence) to these rules has differed markedly in the East and West. Writer and publisher Huang Hung sheds light on how Chinese and American cultural values shaped their responses to the outbreak.*

If you are Person A, you need to prepare the questions for the academic discussion. Please submit a copy of your questions on Teams.

# Project 2: Academic discussion 2B **Climatology (Unit 5)**

Take out a sheet to take quick notes. Then, read the text and watch the videos. Take a few notes: What are the most important ideas? What seems the most relevant to the course we’re taking? Re-read those notes quickly just before class starts next week.

* Reading in *Academic Inquiry* (p.163) “Is Geoengineering the Solution to Saving the Earth?”
* TED Talk: “Why Renewables Can’t Save the Planet”  
  <https://youtu.be/N-yALPEpV4w>

*Environmentalists have long promoted renewable energy sources like solar panels and wind farms to save the climate. But what about when those technologies destroy the environment?*

* YouTube video: “Honest Look at Climate Change’’

<https://youtu.be/IlYeW-w0kUo>

*Eden Reforestation Projects, the sponsor of this video, is a non-profit organization that works in developing countries to rebuild natural landscapes destroyed by deforestation.*

If you are Person B, you need to prepare the questions for the academic discussion. Please submit a copy of your questions on Teams.