

Middletown Township Public Schools  
High School North and High School South  
*AP Italian Summer Assignment*  
2016

**TO:** Italian AP Students: 2016-17

**FROM:** Signora Cucina

**RE:** Summer Assignments

**DATE:** May 3, 2016

**REQUIREMENTS:**

- 1) **Read the Italian humorous stories in “Marcovaldo” and answer the Reading Comprehension questions after each Chapter on the following pages:**

1. “Funghi in città”: p. 12
2. “La villeggiatura in panchina”: p. 25
3. “Il piccione comunale”: p. 31
4. “La città smarrita nella neve”: p. 40
5. “La cura delle vespe”: p. 49
6. “Un viaggio con le mucche”: p. 58
7. “Il coniglio velenoso”: p. 72
8. “La fermata sbagliata”: p. 84

*Answers will be collected and graded. Stories will be reviewed in class.*

- 2) **Write a weekly journal entry in Italian** of at least 15 sentences about personal, community and world activities. *Journal will be collected and graded in September.*

- 3) **Read 4 articles in the newspaper “America Oggi”** at least 150 words in length. Choose articles that cover:

- a) International news
- b) National news
- c) Local news
- d) Culture (Art, Music, Cinema, Literature)

➔ **For each article:**

- a) **list new vocabulary words** in Italian and English
- b) **write a summary** of the article in English
- c) **attach a copy** of the article to the summary

*Summaries will be collected and graded in September!*

**ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS:**

**I Go to my website for electronic copies of Vocabulary and Civilization Exercises, as well as more practice **Reading Comprehension Exercises:****

**\*HS NORTH → “Our School” → “Faculty Directory” → Cucina, Anna  
→ AP ITALIAN**

**II Read current event articles from on-line Italian news sources such as:**

1. La Repubblica ([www.larepubblica.it](http://www.larepubblica.it))
2. La Stampa ([www.lastampa.it](http://www.lastampa.it))
3. La Nazione ([www.lanazione.quotidiano.net](http://www.lanazione.quotidiano.net))
4. Il Corriere della Sera ([www.corriere.it](http://www.corriere.it))
5. RAI ([www.rai.it](http://www.rai.it))
6. RAI Educational ([www.educational.rai.it](http://www.educational.rai.it))