

**IB ANTHROPOLOGY
SUMMER ASSIGNMENT 2017
DUE AUGUST 16th, 2017**

To better prepare for the 2017-2018 school year, students taking IB Social / Cultural Anthropology are being asked to read *The Friend by Day, Enemy by Night*, by Lincoln Keiser (ISBN #0-03-053332-5) this summer. (In order to save money, I highly recommend you purchase it used as the “new” price is quite prohibitive. Many of the soon to be seniors might also be willing to sell / loan you their copy. You might also consider sharing with a friend or friends.) The book explores blood feuding and its ramifications in Thull, a tribal community in the Hindu-Kush Mountains of Pakistan. It is considered a classic in most college courses in anthropology.

Your assignment is:

As best you can, in short sentences fill in the blanks pursuant to this format:

Generally: Describe the conditions of the Kohistanis in an historical context.

What is their subsistence technology, i.e., food production, shelter, clothing and transportation.

What is their economic distribution system?

Describe their social organization, i.e., kinship structure

Describe their legal system and extra-legal system

What is the importance of religion and how does it permeate all other cultural aspects?

Describe their education system, particularly who and who does not get educated.

Do they engage in leisure activities? Describe them.

In what types of art, i.e., visual, written, musical do they engage?

What language/languages are spoken? Describe the literacy problem.

Then, you should write a short critique of the book. What is your reaction to the book? What did you find out about the Kohistanis specifically that may have surprised you? Did you enjoy reading the book? This reaction need not be more than a page.

Finally, there will be a test on this book encompassing the above ideas so feel free to take notes and/or annotate your book accordingly.

AGAIN, THIS IS DUE ON AUGUST 16th, 2017. Should it come in late, points will be deducted pursuant to the course syllabus.

I am really excited to be taking this course on and to be teaching you all again.

See you in August! ☺