Background Information Assignment

When read for academic purposes, it is important to consider the historical information about the novel. With another person who is interested in the book that you would like to read for this unit, or on your own, you will pick one of the topic questions listed below and create an Infographic/PowerPoint of 8 important facts or details about the topic you have selected. The purpose is to help everyone in class understand the important facts that we need to consider prior to reading any of these novels.

1. Taliban in Afghanistan (What was life like for the people under the Taliban regime?)
2. Soviet Occupation of Afghanistan (What was life like before and after the invasion?)
3. What is a class system?
4. What is life like living on the streets of Vancouver/Montreal? (Living on the streets in general)
5. What is life like for a heroin addict? (Someone living a life on drugs)
6. What was life like living in Auschwitz?
7. What was Adolf Hitler’s “Final Solution?”
8. What is life like for the First People’s living on a reserve?
9. Why are seeing anti-immigration sentiment in many Western cultures?

* Because of people like Donald Trump, who are self-funded, and so are able to speak their minds without financial repercussions and are able to “connect” with the disgruntled “unemployed”
* Labor unions and the unemployed claiming that immigrants are taking their jobs.
* Spread of misinformation leading to the demonization of middle eastern and Latin-American immigrants.
* Fear that national identity may be distorted
* Rise in welfare costs due to a surge in immigration

1. Who is the Raven in First People’s culture and why is the Raven important?
2. What is life like for a refugee?

* Harassment from certain individuals who are against immigration
* Having to readjust (Learn new language, find a job, etc.)
* Having to deal with problems, such as utility problems or infestations, while being at a disadvantage due to not being able to fully speak or understand the language.
* In refugee camps, there is a lack of supplies
* Refugee camps rely on makeshift schools, which can significantly affect the children’s education.

1. Who benefits the most in a class system?

Upon completion, make sure you upload your final product to your blog with both your names on the assignment. The Title should be Identity Background Assignment and the tag should be EN12BA

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