

**ROAD TO THE AMERICAN DREAM:**

**Start here:**

<http://www.loc.gov/teachers/classroommaterials/lessons/american-dream/students/thedream.html>

In 140 characters or less (a tweet), write your own definition of the American Dream:

**Pit Stop: American Dream Articles**

Read ONE of these articles and complete the QQTP assignment.

1. “45 Million Americans Still Stuck Below Poverty Line”
   1. <http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2014/09/16/poverty-household-income_n_5828974.html>
2. “Why Half of Adults No Longer Believe in the American Dream”
   1. <http://www.pbs.org/newshour/making-sense/why-half-of-u-s-adults-no-longer-believe-in-the-american-dream/>
3. “20 Things the Rich Do Every Day”
   1. <http://www.daveramsey.com/blog/20-things-the-rich-do-every-day>
4. “A New American Dream”
   1. <http://americanradioworks.publicradio.org/features/americandream/a3.html#part10>

**Exit 1: The QQTP Method**

* **Quotation**-identify one quote that you feel is important. You can agree or disagree with it, but you must explain why you chose it.
* **Question**-if you could ask the author/contributors a question about the article, what would you ask? Explain what prompted the question.
* **Talking Points**-what are the most important ideas of this article? Include at least five major ideas in a bulleted list, and briefly describe each one.

**Exit 2: The American Dream**

Finally, reflect on if the article supports or detracts from your tweet about the American Dream. Make sure to use examples and information from your QQTP to explain your ideas.