

Teacher: CORE Social Studies Grade 6

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GEOGRAPHY*

Essential Questions	Content	Skills	Vocabulary	Assessments	Lessons
How is the world divided into regions? What is meant by region? what makes places geographically unique and different?	Global locations - continents/oceans Map skills - hemispheres/latitude/longitude Different Types of Maps	Identify the seven continents and oceans. Identify cardinal / intermediate directions on compass rose Identify the parts of a map: scale, key, compass rose Identify four hemispheres and give hemisphere coordinates of several countries throughout world Interpret/Plotting coordinates of latitude and longitude analyzing/interpreting different types of maps: physical (elevation), political, distribution, time zone map	continents oceans hemisphere latitude equator longitude meridian global grid political map compass rose intermediate directions cardinal directions key scale physical map elevation distribution map time zones		

CHANGE / MOVEMENT: STONE AGE*

Essential Questions	Content	Skills	Vocabulary	Assessments	Lessons	Resources
<p>Why do people move or migrate?</p> <p>How did the Old Stone Age and New Stone Age differ?</p> <p>What are the advantages of having a settlement?</p> <p>Why/How do we study prehistoric times?</p>	<p>Time periods/Ice Age</p> <p>Old Stone Age (hunters and gatherers)</p> <p>New Stone Age (farming)</p>	<p>Identify the meaning of archaeology and site examples of artifacts/sites found from the Ice Age Era</p> <p>Explain migration patterns of early man</p> <p>Identify the distinct difference between Old Stone Age (hunters/gatherers) and New Stone Age (farming/agriculture)</p> <p>Distinguish the diverse aspects of culture studied by anthropologists.</p>	<p>Ice Age</p> <p>Old Stone Age</p> <p>New Stone Age</p> <p>prehistory</p> <p>archaeology</p> <p>archaeologist</p> <p>artifacts</p> <p>migrate</p> <p>glaciers</p> <p>Beringia</p> <p>technology</p> <p>domesticate</p> <p>agriculture</p> <p>surplus</p> <p>social division</p> <p>excavation site</p> <p>Skara Brae</p> <p>carbon dating</p> <p>anthropology</p> <p>culture</p> <p>diverse</p> <p>Lascaux Cave</p>			

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N o v e m b e r	CULTURE/ GEOGRAPHY: MESOPOTAMIA*					
	Essential Questions	Content	Skills	Vocabulary	Assessments	Less
	What were the early aspects of a civilization?	Geography of Fertile Crescent	Identify the geographic features of the Fertile Crescent region.	civilization Fertile Crescent		
	What were the major achievements/accomplishments of the Mesopotamian civilization?	Mesopotamian Civilizations (Sumer,Akkad,Babylonia, Assyria)	Tigris and Euphrates River, Mesopotamia, Persian Gulf	Mesopotamia irrigation region artisan Sumer Akkad Babylon Assyria ziggurat society		
	How did religion and government correlate?	Religion: Judaism				
	What is the major religious difference between monotheism and polytheism?					
	What are the key elements and beliefs of Judaism?		Describe the early agriculture techniques of Mesopotamians Explain the difference between monotheism and polytheism. Explain the relationship	polytheism monotheism scribe cuneiform Gilgamesh Sargon conquer empire dynasty Hammurabi Code of Hammurabi Abraham		

			<p>between Sumerian religion and government</p> <p>Identify the role of a scribe and the characteristics of cuneiform</p> <p>List 5 contributions made by the Babylonians and/or Sumerians</p> <p>Summarize the global meaning behind the Code of Hammurabi. (Eye for Eye theory)</p> <p>Describe the origin and significance of Judaism</p> <p>List one contribution of both the Phoenicians and Lydians.</p>	<p>Moses</p> <p>David</p> <p>Solomon</p> <p>Jerusalem</p> <p>Israel</p> <p>Canaan</p> <p>Judaism</p> <p>Ten Commandments</p> <p>Torah</p> <p>Hebrew covenant</p> <p>slavery descendant</p> <p>synagogue</p> <p>Phoenicians</p> <p>Lydians</p> <p>barter</p>		
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CULTURE/GEOGRAPHY: EGYPT*

Essential Questions	Content	Skills	Vocabulary	Assessments	Lessons	Res
How does geography affect the lives of the Ancient Egyptians?	Geography of the Nile River Egyptian Civilization (social structure, pharaohs, daily life)	Summarize the geographic characteristics of the Nile River Valley (flow, direction, region identification, features - delta and cataracts)	Egypt Nile River Valley Lower Egypt Upper Egypt delta silt papyrus cataract			
What cultural achievements supported the growth of ancient Egypt?		Compare and contrast the advantages and disadvantages of the Nile floods	Menes unified pharaoh dynasty hieroglyphics			
What can we learn about the Egyptian culture through the study of their government and religion?		Describe and explain the importance of pharaohs and pyramids in Ancient Egypt	Rosetta Stone pyramids mummy Great Pyramid at Giza Khufu			
		Define hieroglyphics and explain how they were decode.	economy Hatshepsut King Tut Akhenaten Nefertiti			
		List one major	Nubia			

			detail about the reign of Menes, Khufu, Hatshepsut, Akhenaten, and King Tut.	Kush independent Thutmose III			
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	How do the contrasts of China's geography affect their lives?	Geography of China History of Dynasties Legacy of Confucianism	Describe how the diverse geography in China affects their culture (civilization).	Huang River Valley North China Plain Tibetan Plateau Guangxi Zhungzu Himalayas loess terrace levee double cropping climograph Qin Shi Haungdi			
	What were the major accomplishments of each of the four early dynasties?		Compare the agricultural processes of China in relations to geography.	Shang dynasty Zhou dynasty Qin dynasty Han dynasty Great Wall of China pictograph oracle bones province ancestor civil service Silk Road middleman nobility			
	What influence did Confucius have on the Chinese culture?		Compare and contrast the climates of different areas using climographs.	Confucius Confucianism Mandate of Heaven Daoism			
			List one major accomplishment of Shang, Han, Qui, and Zhou dynasty.				
			List and describe 2 inventions that were made to improve daily life in China.				
			Summarize the defensive reasoning as to why the Chinese built the Great Wall of China.				
			Analyze the teachings of				

			Confucius and explain other ways of thinking such as Daoism				
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CULTURE/GEOGRAPHY: INDIA*

Essential Questions	Content	Skills	Vocabulary	Assessments	Lessons	Res
How does isolation and geography affect the Indian civilization?	Geography of Indus River Valley India's historic past Hinduism Buddhism	Describe the physical features and climatic influences of the Indian subcontinent.	Indus River Valley Harappa Mohenjo-Daro Mount Everest Indo-Ganges Plain subcontinent monsoon season subsistence farming sanskrit brahmin Vedas Hinduism reincarnation caste Ganges River Brahman dharma Buddhism Siddhartha Gautama			
How do beliefs morph into different religions?		Summarize the affects the geography has on the people and the culture of the subcontinent. Analyze the founding beliefs of Hinduism Analyze the founding beliefs of Buddhism.				

				meditation enlightenment Four Noble Truths Eightfold Path			
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M a r c h	CULTURE/GEOGRAPHY: GREECE						
	Essential Questions	Content	Skills	Vocabulary	Assessments	Lessons	Res
	What are the geographic aspects of the Greek peninsula?	Geography of Greece Greek city-states (Athens/Sparta)	Describe the physical features on the Greek peninsula.	Greece Mediterranean Sea Aegean Sea Asia Minor			
	How did city-states differ from each other as regional civilizations emerged?	Greek Achievements Wars/Conflicts Legacy of Alexander the Great	Compare and contrast the aspects of culture in Athens and Sparta.	Crete Mycenae agora plunder Peloponnesus Attica Athens Sparta			
	How/Why did conflicts between regions arise?		Describe the religious beliefs of the Ancient Greeks. List 5 major accomplishments of the Greek civilization.	Troy Trojan War myths Homer epic Mount Olympus Zeus			
	What were the major accomplishments of the Greek civilization?		Summarize the conflict and events of the Persian and Peloponnesian Wars.	Hera immortal Olympic Games aristocracy democracy assembly Pericles			
	How do individual thoughts and achievements influence a culture?		Summarize the achievements of Alexander the Great.	helots Persian War Marathon Golden Age philosopher Socrates Plato Aristotle Peloponnesian			

				War plague mercenaries Alexander the Great Macedonia Hellenistic Age			
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CULTURE/GEOGRAPHY: ROME

Essential Questions	Content	Skills	Vocabulary	Assessments	Lessons	Res
What economic and political influence did geography have on the rise of the Roman empire?	Geography of Rome Roman history Roman government Roman achievements	Explain how Rome's physical geography helped its civilization. Describe the system of government in the Roman Republic. Chronologically explain the events of the Punic Wars and the effects it had on the Roman Republic.	Rome Italian Peninsula Tiber River aqueducts Etruscans Romulus/Remus senate republic consuls dictator patricians plebeians representative tribunes Punic Wars carthage Hannibal			
How does individual involvement in government change the role of leadership?	Religion- Christianity Division of the Empire					
What cultural achievements contributed to						

	the growth and legacy of Rome?		<p>Analyze the importance of Pax Romana.</p> <p>List 5 major achievements of the Roman civilization.</p> <p>Analyze the founding beliefs of Christianity.</p> <p>Summarize 3 major reasons for the fall of the Roman Empire.</p>	<p>patriotism</p> <p>caesar</p> <p>Julius Caesar</p> <p>emperors</p> <p>Octavian</p> <p>Augustus</p> <p>Pax Romana</p> <p>Colossuem</p> <p>gladiator</p> <p>latin</p> <p>Christianity</p> <p>Jesus</p> <p>New Testament</p> <p>gospels</p> <p>synagogues</p> <p>disciples</p> <p>apostles</p> <p>persecuted</p> <p>Constantine</p> <p>Byzantine</p> <p>Constantinople</p> <p>Diocletian</p> <p>pope</p> <p>pillage</p> <p>vandal</p> <p>Byzantine</p> <p>Empire</p> <p>Byzantine</p> <p>Orthodox</p> <p>Church</p> <p>Roman Catholic</p> <p>Church</p>			
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MOVEMENT / INTERDEPENDENCE: BYZANTINE/ISLAM*

Essential Questions	Content	Skills	Vocabulary	Assessments	Lessons	Re
How does one empire rise from the decline of the Roman empire? How is a religion formulated within a civilization?	Eastern Roman Empire Religion - Islam	Explain the significance of Constantinople to the Byzantine Empire. List 3 achievements of the Byzantine Empire. Analyze the founding beliefs of Islam.	Byzantine Empire Constantinople Byzantium Hippodrome Justinian Code Justinian/Theodora catherdal Hagia Sophia icon Islam Muhammad pilgrimage Mecca Quran Muslims mosque jihad			

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MOVEMENT/CONFLICT: MIDDLE AGES*

Essential Questions	Content	Skills	Vocabulary	Assessments	Lessons	
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<p>How did Middle Ages influence the lives of Europeans?</p> <p>What defines an Era?</p>	<p>Life in the Middle Ages Crusades/Plague Accomplishments Inventions/Discovery Reformation Exploration</p>	<p>List and describe the different levels of feudalism. Explain how the manor system led to the growth of towns and cities.</p> <p>Analyze the cause and effects of the Crusades.</p> <p>Analyze the accomplishments/changes that occurred during Renaissance and Reformation.</p> <p>Evaluate ideas that led to the quest for exploration.</p>	<p>Europe Volga River Danube River Rhine River England Scandinavia Middle Ages Charlemagne William the Conqueror King John Magna Carta monk nun monastery convent missionary monarch serf knight chivalry guild feudalism manor system Marco Polo Crusades Bubonic plague Renaissance Florence Raphael Michelangelo Leonardo da Vinci Copernicus Galileo Gutenberg Martin Luther Protestant Reformation</p>		
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