



Unit Eight

Unit Title: South Asia

World Geography

Unit Length and Description:

3 weeks

This unit focuses on examining the physical and human geography of Central and South Asia in order to understand how physical and human geography have shaped human settlement and economic development in these regions.

Standards:

Standard 1: World in Spatial Terms and Uses of Geography

WG.1.4	Use geographic representations to locate the world's continents, major landforms, major bodies of water and major countries and to solve geographic problems
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Standard 2: Physical Systems

WG.2.4	Explain and give examples of natural and human processes that shape Earth's surface and identify specific locations where these processes occur
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Standard 3: Region

WG.3.1	Analyze how cooperation, conflict, and self-interest impact the cultural, political, and economic regions of the world and relations between nations
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WG.3.2	Determine the unifying characteristics that regions possess and explain changes that they have experienced over time
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WG.3.3	Explain how human and physical characteristics facilitate or hinder regional interactions
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Standard 4: Place

WG.4.1	Determine the physical and human characteristics that comprise the identity of a given place
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WG.4.2	Analyze the distinguishing physical characteristics of a given place to determine their impact on human activities
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WG.4.3	Identify and analyze distinguishing human characteristics of a given place to determine their influence on historical events
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WG.4.4	Evaluate the impact of historical events on culture and relationships among groups
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Standard 5: Human Systems

WG.5.1	Describe and classify reasons for human migration in terms of push or pull factors to determine the changes and similarities in these factors over time
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WG.5.2	Use population pyramids, geographic data and maps to analyze the current impact of population growth and to predict future population trends
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WG.5.3	Describe and illustrate specific examples of economic interdependence in various regions
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WG.5.4	Determine the factors that contribute to a country's standard of living
Standard 6: Environment and Society	
WG.6.2	Identify challenges posed by the physical environment and evaluate strategies that will allow humans to more effectively deal with these challenges
WG.6.3	Analyze the distribution of resources and describe their impact on human systems (past, present, and future)
WG.6.4	Assess the role of government and business in preserving or consuming natural resources and protecting or destroying the physical environment

Enduring Understandings- Compelling Question:	Essential Questions- Supporting Question:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What impact does imperialism have on a group of people? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How does where people live influence how they live? • What is the relationship between imperialism and nationalism? • What does it cost citizens to have a voice? • What are the fundamental core beliefs of each major religion, and how are these beliefs acted upon by believers? What role does religion play in contemporary life in different regions of the world?