

## Course/Grade Level: 7th Grade Social Studies

Days	Unit	Standard(s)/Outcome(s)	Essential/Guiding Questions
40	1. Developing Interpretations/Skills/Byzantine Empire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Analyze characteristics that are used to organize people into cultures.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Apply understandings of the elements of culture to the studies of modern world regions, such as art, music, religion, government, social structure, education, values, beliefs and customs (2.a.a)</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Use geographic tools to locate places and describe the human and physical characteristics in the contemporary world               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ a. Use maps to compare geographic locations of places and regions</li> <li>○ b. Use photographs and thematic maps to compare human and physical characteristics of places and regions</li> <li>○ c. Analyze geographic issues and problems (3,a,1)</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Analyze interrelationships among physical and human</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How did the different religions of the area lead to cultural changes within the region?</li> <li>2. How did geography impact the political and economic growth of the empire?</li> <li>3. How did contact with other cultures impact the social, political, and economic development of the Byzantines</li> <li>4. How did the Byzantines, and Justinian in particular, affect legal codes in the modern world</li> <li>5. What was the impact of the Schism of 1054 (Social, Cultural, Political)</li> </ol>

		<p>characteristics that shape the identity of places and regions around the world (3,b,1)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ A. Identify and describe physical characteristics that influenced human settlement</li><li>○ B. Explain how physical and human characteristics of a region such as vegetation, climate, minerals, population density and religion, affect its economic growth and the way people make a living</li><li>○ C. Analyze how regional characteristics and interests including economic development, climate, and the environmental impact government policies</li><li>○ D. Identify geographic factors that have influenced international relations and economic development in world regions, such as trade, infrastructure, and health issues</li></ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Analyze why and how people in contemporary world regions modify their natural</li></ul>	
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		<p>environment and the impact of those modifications (3.d,1)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Examine how increasing diversity in global societies results from immigration, settlement, and economic development (2.0.b2)</li> </ul>	
<p>40</p>	<p>2. Europe</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Analyze the historic events, documents, and practices that are the foundations of political systems around the world</li> <li>● Examine and report examples of historic events, documents and practices that have influenced (Feudalism)</li> <li>● Analyze the roles of institutions and governments in early world history regarding public policy and issues</li> <li>● Describe the conflict between the church and the state in the formation and implementation of policy (Roman Catholic Church)</li> <li>● Analyze perspectives regarding issues in a feudal society, such as the church leaders v. lords of the manor, joining the Crusades, the growth of trade (Crusades, Feudalism, Plague)</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How did historic events, docs, institutions and practices that create and influence the foundation and end of the feudal system?</li> <li>2. How did the growth of guilds impact medieval society?</li> <li>3. How was the conflict between the Roman Catholic Church and the state formative in the implementation of policy?</li> <li>4. How did feudal governments protect or fail to protect individuals and groups?</li> <li>5. How did Charlemagne’s rule impact social, political, cultural, and economic development in Medieval Europe?</li> </ol> <p>Describe the social, cultural and economic power of the Catholic Church and the conflict between church and state power during the middle ages.</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Analyze the historic events, documents, and practices in early world history that are the foundations of political systems (Feudalism, English Bill of Rights, Magna Carta, Decline of Feudalism- leads to Monarchy)</li> <li>● Examine and report on the roots of democratic principles in World History (Magna Carta, English Bill of Rights)</li> <li>● Examine the decline of feudalism and the emergence of monarchies (Feudalism)</li> <li>● Analyze the roles of governments around the world regarding public policy and issues</li> <li>● Evaluate the effectiveness of the various policies of governments in addressing issues, such as health, poverty, crime, security, and environmental concerns (Growth of towns and cities)</li> <li>● Analyze the methods used by individuals and groups to shape governmental policy and actions in early world history (Magna Carta)</li> </ul>	<p>What purpose did castles serve in society and in the feudal government?</p> <p>Explain the impacts of physical features on medieval society.</p> <p>Using a variety of textual resources Analyze the effectiveness of the feudal system in addressing the needs of citizens.</p> <p>Analyze the events, groups, individuals and policies that served to shift political power and lay the foundations for more democratic reforms.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Analyze the relevancy of sources and perspectives of information (Sourcing,</li> </ul>
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		<p>Features)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Explain how cultural diffusion influenced the development of cultures. Describe factors that resulted in cultural diffusion, such as trade, conflict and migration</li> <li>● Analyze how increased diversity in early world history resulted from immigration, settlement patterns and economic development</li> <li>● Describe the impact of various religions on a civilization, such as its effect on political, economic and social systems</li> <li>● Examine the causes and effects of social, economic, and political conflict such as the Crusades</li> <li>● Use geographic tools to locate places and describe the human and physical characteristics in early world history</li> <li>● Use geographic tools to locate places and describe the human and physical characteristics in the contemporary world</li> <li>● Use photographs and thematic maps to compare human and</li> </ul>	<p>Describe the demographics of populations and the factors that influence the rise, fall, and movement of populations in Europe during the middle ages.</p>
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		<p>physical characteristics of places and regions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Examine how physical and human characteristics shape the identity of places and regions and influence the development of civilizations in world history</li> <li>● Identify and describe physical characteristics that influenced human settlement</li> </ul>	
<p>20</p>	<p>3. Middle East</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Analyze how the people of the Arabian Peninsula adapted to and modified their environment.</li> <li>● Describe the conditions that led to the growth of trade in the Arabian Peninsula.</li> <li>● Identify the influences of Christianity and Judaism on Muhammad and the developmentt of Islam.</li> <li>● Explain the key beliefs of Islam (5 Pillars, Quaran, Hadith, etc).</li> <li>● Explain the impact of Muhammad’s death on the Middle East.</li> <li>● Summarize the development and expansion of early Islam.</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How did the geography of the region affect the development of Middle Eastern culture?</li> <li>2. How does religion impact culture, government, and economics?</li> <li>3. What important innovations &amp; adaptations did medieval Muslims make?</li> <li>4. How does the development of the Middle East influence the medieval world and impact our culture today?</li> </ol>



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Analyze the issues surrounding the Islamic split between Sunni and Shi'ite.</li> <li>● Explain how the Islamic culture developed under the Umayyads, Abbasids, and in Islamic Spain.</li> <li>● Analyze and evaluate the contributions of the Middle East on the medieval world.</li> <li>● Explain the development and importance of the Ottoman Empire in the Middle East.</li> </ul>	
20	4. Africa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Analyze the emergence, growth and decline of African Empires <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ A. Describe the contributions of major African monarchies, cities, and trade networks, such as Ghana, Mali and Songhai</li> <li>○ B. Analyze the cultural and economic impact of African regional and worldwide trade routes</li> <li>○ C. Summarize the factors that led to the decline of the African empires (5.5)</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Analyze the methods used by individuals and groups to shape governmental policy and actions in early world history - Examine how religion shaped</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Understand the impact and influence the religion of Islam had on African governments and trade</li> <li>● Understand how a surplus and scarcity of specific resources led to the Trans-Saharan Trade</li> <li>● Understand the similarities and differences in the creation, rise, and fall of the three West African Empires of Ghana, Mali, and Songhai</li> <li>● Understand Mansa Musa's impact on West Africa's economic, political, and religious history</li> <li>● Understand the relationship between Sub-Saharan African civilizations and their European counterparts</li> </ul>

		<p>and influenced government policy (1.1.C)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Explain how the development of transportation and communication networks influenced the movement of people, goods and ideas from place to place, such as trade routes in Africa (3. C.1.B)</li> </ul>	
<p>25</p>	<p>5. Asia</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Identify the various geographic regions within Asia and describe the characteristics that make them distinct regions.</li> <li>● Describe how geographic location, physical features, and natural resources influence the economic development of Southern, Eastern and Southeastern Asian nations</li> <li>● Describe the major geographic and climatic characteristics for a selected region in Asia.</li> <li>● Describe and analyze the cultural characteristics and achievements of the civilizations in South Asia and East Asia.</li> <li>● Describe the effects and influence of empires on culture and development in South Asia and East Asia.</li> <li>● Examine the religious diversity of the countries of the South Asia.</li> <li>● Describe and compare the development of Hinduism,</li> </ul>	<p><b>EQ:</b> How did China’s rivers contribute to populated areas?</p> <p><b>Obj:</b> You will analyze maps and infer how China’s rivers contributed to its growth of cities.</p> <p><b>EQ:</b> How do the physical features of China contribute to its history and development?</p> <p><b>Obj:</b> You will be able to identify physical features of China and infer how they contribute to China’s history and development.</p> <p><b>EQ:</b> What are some of the diverse physical features of China?</p> <p><b>Obj:</b> You will identify and label Asia’s diverse landscape. You will analyze the map and demonstrate understanding of Asia’s diverse physical features.</p> <p><b>EQ:</b> How did China’s rivers contribute to populated areas?</p> <p><b>Obj:</b> You will analyze maps and infer how</p>

		<p>Buddhism, and Sikhism on the Indian Sub-Continent.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Explain and give examples how Asian countries adapt to the high population density of their country. [MODERN CONNECTION]</li> <li>● Identify a selected contemporary issue and predict possible future trends in East, Southeast, and South Asia. [MODERN CONNECTION]</li> <li>● Compare the characteristics of developing and developed countries in East, Southeast, and South Asia by reading and classifying information from charts and graphs.</li> </ul>	<p>China's rivers contributed to its growth of cities.</p> <p><b>EQ:</b> How do the physical features of China contribute to its history and development?</p> <p><b>Obj:</b> You will be able to identify physical features of China and infer how they contribute to China's history and development.</p> <p><b>EQ:</b> What are some of the diverse physical features of China?</p> <p><b>Obj:</b> You will identify and label Asia's diverse landscape. You will analyze the map and demonstrate understanding of Asia's diverse physical features.</p> <p><b>EQ:</b> How have medieval Chinese discoveries and inventions influenced the modern world?</p> <p><b>Obj:</b> You will explain the significance of Chinese inventions and discoveries in history and create an argument based on which one has the most influence in the modern world.</p> <p><b>EQ:</b> How did the Tang dynasty influence the cultures of Japan, Korea and Southeast Asia?</p> <p><b>Obj:</b> Evaluate the influence of the Tang dynasty on the cultures of Japan, Korea, and Southeast Asia</p> <p><b>EQ:</b> How did moving the capital to Kyoto affect the development of Japanese culture?</p> <p><b>Obj:</b> Explain factors that influenced the</p>
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			<p>development of a national Japanese culture between 800 and 1200.</p> <p><b>EQ:</b> What is the difference between Aristocracy, Meritocracy, and Nepotism? What challenge did dynastic rulers face in governing the vast territories of Imperial China? Which form(s) of government-- Aristocracy, Meritocracy, or Nepotism-- most helped Chinese Emperors rule their vast territories?</p> <p><b>Obj:</b> Understand the merits of Nepotism, Meritocracy, and Aristocracy in the government of Imperial China.</p> <p><b>EQ:</b> What were some of the achievements of the Tang and Song dynasties and how did they influence the development of other cultures?</p> <p><b>Obj:</b> Identify and recognize the impact of the achievements of the Tang and Song dynasties.</p> <p><b>EQ:</b> What are the major beliefs of Shintoism and how did these beliefs influence Japanese culture?</p> <p><b>Obj:</b> Describe the major beliefs and influence of Shintoism on Japan.</p> <p><b>EQ:</b> How did Buddhism influence the Japanese civilization?</p> <p><b>Obj:</b> Describe the influence of Buddhism on Japan.</p> <p><b>EQ:</b> What were the major social, political and</p>
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			<p>economic developments of feudalism in Japan?</p> <p><b>Obj:</b> Examine the social, political and economic development of feudalism in Japan.</p> <p><b>EQ:</b> How did the location of Japan affect the development of its culture?</p> <p><b>Obj:</b> Evaluate the effects of isolation on Japan during earlier times.</p> <p><b>Obj:</b> Create a thematic map summarizing how key physical features found in the region of Japan have served to both isolate and link Japanese culture.</p> <p><b>EQ:</b> Where were the Tang and Song dynasties located ?</p> <p><b>EQ:</b> What were the civilization characteristics of the Tang and Song dynasties?</p> <p><b>Obj:</b> Interpret and evaluate data on maps and graphs of the Tang and Song dynasties</p> <p><b>Obj:</b> Analyze and identify the civilization characteristics that were apparent in the Tang and Song dynasties. Note: To make this lesson 45 minutes, focus on the Tang and Song Dynasties.</p> <p><b>EQ:</b> How vast was the Mongol Empire?</p> <p><b>EQ:</b> How did the Silk Road affect the movement of people, goods, and ideas?</p> <p><b>Obj:</b> Describe the expansion of the Mongol Empire.</p>
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<p>25</p>	<p>6. Americas</p>	<p>-Use geographic tools to locate places and describe the human and physical characteristics in early world history</p> <p>Use maps to compare geographic locations of civilizations from world history to Mesoamerica</p> <p>-Examine how physical and human characteristics shape the identity of places and regions and influence the development of civilization world history</p> <p>-Examine the emergence, growth, and decline of empires in the Americas: Describe and trace the development of political and social</p>	<p>How did the cultural achievements of the Maya, Aztecs, and Incas impact other civilizations in the Medieval World and our modern world today?</p> <p>How does the geography of Central and South America affect the people who lived there and the historians who research it?</p> <p>How did the religious beliefs of the Inca, Maya, and Aztec impact their daily life?</p> <p>How did the class structure of the Maya, Inca, and Aztecs impact their daily life and government?</p>

		<p>structures of the Incas, Mayans, Aztecs</p> <p>-Analyze why and how people modify their natural environment and the impact of those modifications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● A. Describe ways people modified their environment to meet their needs, such as cultivating lands, building roads, dams, and aqueducts</li> <li>● B. Analyze how people in early world history perceived and reacted to environmental concerns, such as flooding, drought, and depletion of natural resources and evaluate the consequences of those actions</li> </ul> <p>-Describe and compare different elements of culture such as art, music, social structure, etc..</p> <p>-Examine the practices and beliefs of world religions and philosophies including monotheistic and polytheistic</p>	<p>What agricultural techniques were used by the Maya, Inca, and Aztecs to successfully adapt to their environment?</p> <p>How did the Aztecs rise from a band of nomads to the creation of a great empire?</p> <p>What was daily life like for the Aztecs, Inca, and Maya?</p>
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