

**Elizabethtown Area School District  
Scope & Sequence - Quick Reference**



**Department: Social Studies**

**Course: Ancient Civilizations, East and West**

**Grade Level: 6**

<i>Unit Title</i>	<i>General Topic(s)</i>	<i>Pacing</i>
1. World Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● World continents</li> <li>● World oceans</li> <li>● Major mountain ranges</li> <li>● Major rivers</li> </ul>	1 Week
2. Development of Civilizations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Impact of agricultural revolution</li> <li>● Development of government</li> <li>● Types of governments</li> <li>● Development of writing</li> <li>● Significance of trading and cultural diffusion</li> </ul>	3 weeks
3. Ancient Mesopotamia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The first city-states: Akkad, Sumer, Babylon, Hittites, Persia, Medes, Phoenicians, Assyria, Hebrews</li> <li>● Geography of Mesopotamia: significance/impacts of location - the Fertile Crescent</li> <li>● Significant tools, jobs, and resources used by artisans, types of artisans</li> <li>● The first writing system: Cuneiform and its significance</li> <li>● Polytheism vs monotheism in the world - connection to world religions</li> <li>● Mesopotamian leaders and connection to forms of government</li> <li>● Hammurabi and the development of the first written laws; significance of rule of law</li> <li>● Achievements and connections to the modern world</li> </ul>	8 weeks

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conflicts - why they happened and connections to the modern world</li> </ul>	
4. Ancient Egypt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Old, Middle, and New Kingdoms</li> <li>Egyptian mythology and religion - gods and goddesses, significance of religion on daily life</li> <li>Social structure - social classes and jobs</li> <li>Mummification and significant traditions</li> <li>Significance of the Nile River and geography of Egypt</li> <li>Famous pharaohs and their contributions; types of leaders/government in Egypt.</li> <li>Pyramids and the Valley of the Kings</li> <li>Hieroglyphics and the Rosetta Stone</li> <li>Major battles, interactions, connection to religious differences, reasons to go to war</li> </ul>	6 weeks
5. Ancient Greece	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>City-states (Athens, Sparta, Corinth, Megara, Argos)</li> <li>Governmental structures: democracy v. monarchy</li> <li>Clash between Ancient Greece and Persia</li> <li>War between Athens and Sparta - connection to U.S.</li> <li>Alexander the Great and his empire - connection to imperialism and goals of leaders when they expand territory</li> <li>Ancient Greek mythology &amp; impact on their culture</li> <li>Ancient Greek achievements and contributions (Olympics, government, education, architecture, art, etc.)</li> <li>The agora - significance of trade and economics in Greek society</li> </ul>	7 weeks
6. Ancient Rome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Roman Republic and its impacts on governments today</li> <li>Roman mythology and religion</li> <li>Roman architecture and ingenuity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the Colosseum, aqueducts, roads, the Appian Way, the Pantheon</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	7 weeks

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Julius Caesar and the foundation of the emperors of Rome - forms of government in Rome</li> <li>● Caesar's civil war</li> <li>● The Fall of Rome and the founding of Byzantium <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Connections to world religions</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
7. Indus River Valley	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Significance of the Indus River, Ganges River &amp; Arabian Sea - trade, transportation, geographic feature</li> <li>● Significant features - citadels, types of farms, city of Mohenjo-Daro, etc.</li> <li>● Story of what happened to the citadels - connected to significance of unified vs divided civilizations</li> <li>● Economics/trade in the Indus River Valley</li> <li>● Belief systems and how they impact the culture</li> <li>● Caste system</li> <li>● Impact on the world today</li> </ul>	3 weeks
8. Ancient China	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Significance of the Yellow and Yangtze Rivers as geographic features and necessary for civilization</li> <li>● Advances in weaponry</li> <li>● Trade and the Silk Road</li> <li>● Writing systems</li> <li>● Agriculture and impact on the economy</li> <li>● Warring states</li> <li>● The Great Wall</li> <li>● Confucius</li> <li>● Major dynasties/emperors</li> <li>● Impact on the world today</li> </ul>	3 weeks
9. Mesoamerica	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Geography of Maya, Inca, Aztecs</li> <li>● Significant achievements</li> <li>● Geography of these civilizations</li> <li>● Economy and trade</li> <li>● Impact on the world today</li> </ul>	2 weeks