

Sixth Grade Social Studies Course Description:

- In grade 6, students study people, places, and societies of the contemporary world
- Students describe the influence of individuals and groups on historical and contemporary events
- Students identify the locations and geographic characteristics of various societies
- Students identify different ways of organizing economic and governmental systems
- The concepts of limited and unlimited governments are introduced
- Students describe the nature of citizenship in various societies
- Students compare institutions common to all societies
- Students explain how the level of technology affects the development of various societies
- Students identify different points of view about events
- The concept of frame of reference is introduced as an influence on an individual's point of view

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2019-2020 Sixth Grade Year at a Glance		
Grading Period	Units	Instructional Topics
1 st Grading Period	Physical & Human Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The factors that influence the locations and characteristics of locations of various contemporary societies • How geographic factors influence the economic development and political relationships of societies • The impact of interactions between people and the physical environment on the development and conditions of places and regions
	Culture & Population	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The factors that influence the locations and characteristics of locations of various contemporary societies • The similarities and differences within and among cultures in various world societies • That all societies have basic institutions in common even though the characteristics of these institutions may differ • Relationships that exist among world cultures • The relationship that exists between the arts and the societies in which they are produced • The relationships among religion, philosophy, and culture
	Government & Citizenship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The concepts of limited and unlimited governments • Various ways in which people organize governments • The nature of citizenship varies among societies • The relationship among individual rights, responsibilities, duties, and freedoms in societies with representative governments
	Economics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The factors of production in a society's economy • The various ways in which people organize economic systems • Categories of economic activities and the data used to measure a society's economic level
2 nd Grading Period	North America	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That historical events influence contemporary events • The factors that influence the locations and characteristics of locations of various contemporary societies • How geographic factors influence the economic development and political relationships of societies • The impact of interactions between people and the physical environment on the development and conditions of places and regions • The factors of production in a society's economy • Various ways in which people organize economic systems • Categories of economic activities and the data used to measure a society's economic level • The concepts of limited and unlimited governments • That the nature of citizenship varies among societies

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	Central, Latin, & South America	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That historical events influence contemporary events • The factors that influence the locations and characteristics of locations of various contemporary societies • How geographic factors influence the economic development and political relationships of societies • The impact of interactions between people and the physical environment on the development and conditions of places and regions • The factors of production in a society's economy • Various ways in which people organize economic systems • Categories of economic activities and the data used to measure a society's economic level • The relationship that exists between the arts and societies in which they are produced
3 rd Grading Period	Europe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That historical events influence contemporary events • The influences of individuals and groups from various cultures on various historical and contemporary societies • The factors that influence the locations and characteristics of locations of various contemporary societies • How geographic factors influence the economic development and political relationships of societies • The impact of interactions between people and the physical environment on the development and conditions of places and regions • The factors of production in a society's economy • Various ways in which people organize economic systems • Categories of economic activities and the data used to measure a society's economic level • The concepts of limited and unlimited governments • That the nature of citizenship varies among societies • The relationship among individual rights, responsibilities, duties, and freedoms in societies with representative governments • The relationship that exists between the arts and societies in which they are produced • The influence of science and technology on contemporary societies
	Russia & the Eurasian Republics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That historical events influence contemporary events • The influences of individuals and groups from various cultures on various historical and contemporary societies • The factors that influence the locations and characteristics of locations of various contemporary societies • How geographic factors influence the economic development and political relationships of societies

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	<p>SWANA (Southwest Asia and North Africa)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That historical events influence contemporary events • The influences of individuals and groups from various cultures on various historical and contemporary societies • The factors that influence the locations and characteristics of locations of various contemporary societies • How geographic factors influence the economic development and political relationships of societies • The impact of interactions between people and the physical environment on the development and conditions of places and regions • The factors of production in a society's economy • Various ways in which people organize economic systems • Categories of economic activities and the data used to measure a society's economic level • The concepts of limited and unlimited governments • The similarities and differences within and among cultures in various world societies
4 th Grading Period	<p>Sub-Saharan Africa</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That historical events influence contemporary events • The influences of individuals and groups from various cultures on various historical and contemporary societies • The factors that influence the locations and characteristics of locations of various contemporary societies • How geographic factors influence the economic development and political relationships of societies • The impact of interactions between people and the physical environment on the development and conditions of places and regions • The factors of production in a society's economy • Categories of economic activities and the data used to measure a society's economic level • The concepts of limited and unlimited governments • The similarities and differences within and among cultures in various world societies
	<p>South Asia</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That historical events influence contemporary events • The influences of individuals and groups from various cultures on various historical and contemporary societies • The factors that influence the locations and characteristics of locations of various contemporary societies

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	<p>East & SE Asia</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That historical events influence contemporary events • The factors that influence the locations and characteristics of locations of various contemporary societies • How geographic factors influence the economic development and political relationships of societies • The impact of interactions between people and the physical environment on the development and conditions of places and regions • The factors of production in a society's economy • The various ways in which people organize economic systems • Categories of economic activities and the data used to measure a society's economic level • The various ways in which people organize governments • The relationship that exists between the arts and the societies in which they are produced • The influences of science and technology on contemporary societies
	<p>Antarctica, Australia & the Pacific Realm</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That historical events influence contemporary events • The impact of interactions between people and the physical environment on the development and conditions of places and regions • How geographic factors influence the economic development and political relationships of societies • The impact of interactions between people and they physical environment on the development and conditions of places and regions • The factors of production in a society's economy • Categories of economic activities and the data used to measure a society's economic level • The relationship that exists between the arts and the societies in which they are produced