



Social Studies 3

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The Archdiocese of Baltimore's 3rd grade social studies curriculum offers a comprehensive overview of the social studies, building on foundational concepts introduced from Kindergarten through 2nd grade. This curriculum is designed to extend students' prior knowledge and serves as their final general social studies course before transitioning to more specialized studies, such as Maryland History in 4th grade. The program begins with an introduction to essential social studies skills and processes, which students will apply throughout the academic year. In civics, students develop an understanding of their roles and responsibilities as citizens within their school community and beyond. Students will also engage with geographic tools, such as globes and maps, to investigate the characteristics of different places and regions. The curriculum further explores cultural characteristics, enabling students to discern similarities and differences among people in Maryland, the United States, and globally. Additionally, students are introduced to fundamental economic principles, focusing on the roles of producers and consumers. The course concludes with an exploration of ancient cultures, specifically those of Greece and China, providing a historical perspective to their social studies education.
