



CrossRoads Intermediate School

Course Overview World Civilizations

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Course Description:

Students in 6th Grade Social Studies will study World Civilizations to uncover trends from prehistory to present day. Students will learn what defines civilizations and how geography played a factor in the exchanges, expansion, and formation among and between them. Students will inquire into the development of world civilizations past and present and the connections between Africa, the Americas, Asia, and Europe. Instruction will utilize the historical thinking skills and themes developed for grade six. The progression of developmentally appropriate historical thinking skills begins in kindergarten and builds with each year of history instruction. These historical thinking skills are aligned with the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate of world-class knowledge, world-class skills, and life and career characteristics. This course aligns with the *new 2020 Social Studies College and Career Ready Standards*.

Units of Study

<p><u>FIRST NINE WEEKS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Early River Valley Civilizations ● Classical Civilizations ● World Religions 	<p><u>THIRD NINE WEEKS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Age of Exploration & Global Exchanges (Continued) ● Renaissance to Enlightenment ● Political Revolutions
<p><u>SECOND NINE WEEKS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● World Religions (Continued) ● Medieval Europe and Asia ● Medieval Africa and the Americas ● Age of Exploration & Global Exchanges 	<p><u>FOURTH NINE WEEKS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Industrial Revolution, Imperialism, & WWI ● Global Conflicts ● Equality and Global Interdependence

Grading Procedures:

Students will receive several types of weighted grades each quarter.

<p>45% Major Assessments Ex. tests, projects, major writing assignments</p> <p>35% Minor Assessments Ex. quizzes</p> <p>20% Practice Ex. classwork/homework</p>	<p>SC Uniform Grading Scale</p> <p>90 - 100 = A</p> <p>80 - 90 = B</p> <p>70 - 80 = C</p> <p>60 - 70 = D</p> <p>Below 60 = F</p>
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Textbook:

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Social Studies: World Civilizations Grade 6

Supplemental Materials:

- The DBQ Project: Mini-Qs in World History*
- Ducksters History website www.ducksters.com/history/
- The Story of the World* Volumes 1-4
- "Kids Discover" Magazine

Grades:

Parents can access students' grades in PowerSchool. If you don't have the login information, please contact the front office. Most assignments are electronic and students may bring home less paper assessments. Please be sure to check PowerSchool for current grades.

Make up Tests/Assignments:

Make up work is treated according to the policies stated in the CRIS student handbook. If a student is absent, *he/she is responsible for the missed assignment and for scheduling the makeup work with the teacher.*

Behavior:

All students are expected to follow school rules and classroom procedures. Each child at CrossRoads is expected to follow the RISE Behavior Matrix to try to demonstrate the four core actions daily.

Respect
Integrity
Service
Excellence