

7th Grade Geography-Eastern Hemisphere

	Essential Questions	Content/Materials	Skills	Assessments
Hex 1	<p>How is Geography used to interpret the past, understand the present, and plan for the future?</p> <p>How are people and physical features distributed on the Earth's surface?</p> <p>How do individual cultures influence people's perceptions about places and religions?</p> <p>What are the patterns of economic activities that end up resulting in global interdependence?</p> <p>How geographic features influence where people settle.</p>	<p>5 Themes of Geography</p> <p>Population growth and its consequences</p> <p>Shared characteristics that define a group of people</p> <p>Earth's resources and how they are used/depended upon</p> <p>Europe's landforms and waterways influence on cities and people</p>	<p>Compare and contrast information found on globes, maps, and aerial photos</p> <p>Identify different kinds of specialty maps, and understand their purposes and interpret information presented in them</p> <p>Identify steps in decision making</p> <p>Identify locations of Europe</p> <p>Identify and analyze different points of view</p>	<p>Tests</p> <p>Quizzes</p> <p>Projects</p> <p>Worksheets</p> <p>Discussion and/or debate</p> <p>Maps</p> <p>Teacher observation</p>
Hex 2	<p>How do the characteristics and movement of people impact physical and human systems?</p>	<p>Ancient Greece and Rome foundations for civilization</p> <p>Modern ideals and discoveries of Europe</p>	<p>Analyzing information by comparing and contrasting</p>	<p>Tests</p> <p>Quizzes</p> <p>Projects</p>

	<p>How do culture groups shape human systems?</p> <p>How do people's actions change the physical environment?</p> <p>How do Geographers organize the Earth into regions that share common characteristics?</p>	<p>Challenges posed by population change and ethnic differences</p> <p>Identify Roman contributions to government, language, architecture, and law</p> <p>Religion's role in society</p>	<p>Case study - the effect of the Black Death on society</p> <p>Case study - religion, Vatican city, and the Shroud of Turin - does religion play a significant role in society?</p> <p>Identify major disasters role in making change (Chernobyl, Holocaust)</p>	<p>Worksheets</p> <p>Discussion and/or debate</p> <p>Maps</p> <p>Teacher observation</p>
Hex 3	<p>How do natural resources use and importance change with the times?</p> <p>Do people's actions change the physical environment?</p> <p>How do characteristics and movement of people impact physical and human systems?</p> <p>How do culture groups shape human systems?</p>	<p>Russia's location and landforms and how it affects where people live</p> <p>Lack of pollution control and effects on people and wildlife</p> <p>Strong leaders make Russia the biggest in the world but at what cost? Widespread suffering and revolution</p> <p>Russia's traditions in the</p>	<p>Identify locations in Russia</p> <p>Case study - Tunguska and isolated locations</p> <p>The royal families, their downfall and the effects of communism</p> <p>Case study - the czars role in development of Russia</p> <p>Cold War and consequences</p>	<p>Tests</p> <p>Quizzes</p> <p>Projects</p> <p>Worksheets</p> <p>Discussion and/or debate</p> <p>Maps</p> <p>Teacher observation</p>

		arts and sciences		
Hex 4	<p>How does the physical environment and resources affect how people live?</p> <p>What are the major legacies or contributions of Ancient Egypt?</p> <p>What role does religion play in these areas/civilizations?</p>	<p>Resources and their effect on political relations</p> <p>Cultural differences and how they play a role in relations</p> <p>How areas of life are affected by religion</p> <p>Early religious practices of Ancient Egypt</p>	<p>Identify locations in the Middle East/ Upper Africa</p> <p>Identify the beginnings of Judaism</p> <p>Identify the beginnings of Christianity</p> <p>Identify the beginnings of Islam</p> <p>Determine the influence of Muslim Caliphate</p> <p>Current religious consequences</p> <p>Case study - Armenian christianity and Genocide</p>	<p>Tests</p> <p>Quizzes</p> <p>Projects</p> <p>Worksheets</p> <p>Discussion and/or debate</p> <p>Maps</p> <p>Teacher observation</p>
Hex 5	<p>How do physical processes shape Earth's surface</p> <p>What are the waterways' importance to the arid lands of Africa?</p> <p>What are the effects of</p>	<p>Tectonic plate movement and the formation of famous landforms</p> <p>Privatization of water resources</p> <p>European contact and</p>	<p>Identify locations in South Africa</p> <p>Case study - Ebola and religious rituals in Africa</p> <p>Case study - Africa's big</p>	<p>Tests</p> <p>Quizzes</p> <p>Projects</p> <p>Worksheets</p> <p>Discussion</p>

	<p>racial segregation and apartheid?</p> <p>How did imperialism affect the cultures of the countries of Africa?</p> <p>How does the wide variances of geography affect South Asian peoples?</p> <p>What role does religion play in this civilization?</p> <p>How did South Asia develop complex social structures and 2 of the world's major religions?</p> <p>How has the rapid growth of population in South Asia affected lives?</p> <p>How are South Asian lives different culturally and economically?</p>	<p>slavery's lasting effects</p> <p>Important reformers of Africa (Mandela, Tutu)</p> <p>Lasting violence, poverty, and dependence due to lack of development</p> <p>Limitations on livable land funnel people into the highly polluted Ganges Plain</p> <p>Religious stories of the area</p> <p>Growing population causes issues regarding food demand impacting the environment</p> <p>Compare and contrast cultural differences</p>	<p>three trading empires</p> <p>Importance of Axum to African Christian community</p> <p>Identify locations in South Asia/India</p> <p>Identify beginnings and elements of Buddhism</p> <p>Identify location and influence of the Himalayas and Tibetan Plateau</p> <p>Identify beginnings and elements of Hinduism</p> <p>Case study - Ramayana</p> <p>Case study - Famine and colonialism</p> <p>Case study - Gandhi and civil disobedience</p> <p>Case study - Mother Teresa, saving grace and good works</p>	<p>and/or debate</p> <p>Maps</p> <p>Teacher observation</p>
Hex 6	How do the large variances in climate areas affect the	Recognize how natural resources can help or	Identify locations in East/southeast Asia	Tests

	<p>people of East/Southeast Asia?</p> <p>What are the major legacies and contributions of China?</p> <p>How was the civilization governed and organized?</p> <p>How was the economy organized to meet the needs and wants of its people?</p> <p>What role does religion play in the development of society and government?</p> <p>How has the development of 2 Koreas shaped our world?</p> <p>How have plate tectonics, weather, and biological processes shaped Australia and Oceania?</p> <p>How did colonialism shape the islands?</p>	<p>hinder a nation</p> <p>Advantages and disadvantages of being ruled by a dynasty</p> <p>Philosophical ideas of Confucianism</p> <p>Chinese influence on all Asian countries</p> <p>Ideas of family in Asian society</p> <p>Results of war have lasting consequences</p> <p>Effects of plate movement on the area</p> <p>Consequences for Aboriginal people due to colonial involvement</p>	<p>Explore the dynasties and influence of Confucius</p> <p>Case study - China's first emperor - recognize the achievements of the Great Wall and Terra Cotta warriors</p> <p>Japan and the importance of women in society</p> <p>Arts of Japan</p> <p>Compare and contrast the economies and governments of the Koreas</p> <p>Identify locations in Australia and Oceania</p> <p>Compare and contrast the Maoris and Aboriginal cultures with European contact</p> <p>Case study - New Zealand kiwi farming</p>	<p>Quizzes</p> <p>Projects</p> <p>Worksheets</p> <p>Discussion and/or debate</p> <p>Maps</p> <p>Teacher observation</p>
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