

## Middle School Social Studies Resources

Grade 6	
Unit 2: The world in spatial terms	<a href="#">Exploring Geography</a> : This collection is broken down by continent to provide an in depth study of each region of the world. Each unit also has resources devoted specifically to the study of migration patterns in that region.
Unit 3: Population and Migration	<a href="#">Population and Migration</a> : In this Topic, students will learn more about the historic role of migration as well as migration today, and will hear stories of migration from people who lived them.
Grade 7	
Unit 2: Beginnings of Human Societies	<a href="#">The first humans and world geography</a> : Explore any combination of this Collection's informational texts, feature stories and news articles. The articles within each Topic will provide the context needed to understand how early humans lived and survived. These selections also encourage students to consider how scientists have compared and analyzed evidence to make sense of the prehistoric human experience.
Unit 3: Early Civilizations	<a href="#">Unearthing Ancient Civilizations</a> : This Collection looks at early human civilizations, broken down by where they formed. Use the navigation panel on the left to select the civilization you want to study. Each Topic has sections for learning foundational knowledge, current event connections, unheard perspectives, and STEAM connections.
Grade 8	
Unit 2: A New Nation	<a href="#">Envisioning a new America</a> : In looking at the development of an independent America, students will study the early presidential administrations, the ideological differences that led to the creation of our two party political system, the massive expansion of the country, and the lives of the people who lived in the early republic.
Unit 3: The New Republic	<a href="#">Divergent Paths of the American People: 1800-1850s</a> : During the 1800s, the population of the United States grew and the individual regions of the country had distinct characteristics. Despite these unique characteristics, there were also similarities and interconnectedness between the Northeast, South and West. In looking at the divergent paths of the American people, students will examine their political, economic, and social characteristics.
Having Trouble? Need Help?	
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<a href="#">Newsela Support Center</a>	Tutorials, videos, and step-by-steps on a range of topics.
<a href="#">Newsela Contact Form</a>	Contact a Support Representative or use the Let's Chat button.