

Options FRMS Social Studies 6A 2020	Scope and Sequence
Unit Lesson	Objectives
Applying Social Studies Skills	
Sequencing	
	Differentiate between absolute and relative chronology.
	Explore ways eras and periods are used to categorize and understand historical times and events.
	Use sequencing skills to interpret and construct historical timelines.
Multiple Perspectives	
	Define perspective
	Investigate situations in which there were multiple perspectives about the same event
	Compare and contrast stated positions on an issue
Research and Evidence	
	Explain how to form an effective research question.
	Describe how to conduct successful research.
	Explain how to interpret evidence when building an argument.
Unit Test	
Applying Geography Skills	
Getting Familiar with Maps	
	Identify the purposes of map elements
	Explore the uses for and characteristics of different types of maps
	Understand what is meant by a map projection
	Compare and contrast commonly used map projections
New Technologies in Geography	
	Describe how remote sensing helps geographers gather information

Unit Lesson**Objectives**

Explore how the Global Positioning System is used to map our world

Explain how geographic information systems help geographers understand our world

Apply new geographic technologies to plan for the future and to find solutions to problems

Geography of the Nation and the World

Describe how the world's geography is organized.

Locate geographic features in the world and in the United States.

Examine population trends.

Unit Test

Climate

Earth's Climate Types

Explain how the Earth's physical features and patterns influence climates

Identify the locations of the Earth's major climate types

Describe the characteristics of major climate types

Climates and Ecosystems of the US and Canada

Identify and locate the major climate regions of the US and Canada

Locate the ecosystems of the US and Canada and identify examples of commonly found plant and animal life

Explore ways in which climate affects settlement patterns in the US and Canada

Investigate the effects of tropical storms in the region

Test

Ancient Influences on the Western Hemisphere

Ancient Civilizations: Phoenicia and Israel

Unit Lesson**Objectives**

Describe the early history of the Hebrews

Investigate how Jewish culture has affected other cultures and religions

Explore the impact of Phoenician trade on the spread of cultural traditions throughout the Mediterranean

Ancient Civilizations: Classical Greece

Examine the forms of government used in classical Greek city-states

Explore the culture of classical Greek city-states

Investigate the Golden Age of Athens and the fall of the Greek city-states

Ancient Civilizations: Greek Empires

Summarize the growth of Alexander's Greek Empire

Explore the fall of the Greek Empire

Investigate the concept of Hellenization and the spread of Greek culture

Unit Test

Environmental Issues in the Western Hemisphere

Connecting the Past to Present Issues

Identify contemporary problems and issues

Explore decisions and events that have contributed to current issues

Create policies for dealing with a present issue based on an understanding of what has happened in the past

Americans and Their Environment

Identify ways that human activity has impacted the environment.

Describe ways Americans are working to solve environmental challenges.

Unit Lesson**Objectives**

Explain how the environment influences human behavior.

Unit Test

Physical Geography of the US and Canada

Physical Features of the United States

Locate the major landforms of the United States

Describe the characteristics of important physical features in the United States

Identify key rivers and other bodies of water in the United States

Physical Features of Canada

Locate the major landforms of Canada

Describe the characteristics of important physical features in Canada

Identify key rivers and other bodies of water in Canada

Explain the effects of the Continental Divide

Climates and Ecosystems of the US and Canada

Identify and locate the major climate regions of the US and Canada

Locate the ecosystems of the US and Canada and identify examples of commonly found plant and animal life

Explore ways in which climate affects settlement patterns in the US and Canada

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Unit Test

Regional Studies of the US and Canada

Political Geography of the US and Canada

Locate major states and provinces in the US and Canada

Unit Lesson**Objectives**

Explore the features of the systems of government found in the US and Canada

Compare the governments of the US and Canada with regard to their political structure and opportunities for civic participation

Cultural Characteristics of the US and Canada

Explore the cultural characteristics of the US and Canada

Investigate the role of early exploration by the English and the French in the development of the languages and cultures of the US and Canada

Examine the factors that affect the standard of living in the US and Canada

Discuss the diffusion of American culture around the world

Natural Resources and Economies of the US and Canada

Identify and locate natural resources in the US and Canada

Describe steps the US and Canada are taking to overcome challenges with energy resources

Investigate major economic sectors of the US and Canada, and identify geographic factors that influence their location

Compare the economic systems found in the US and Canada

Adam Smith and the US Economy

Identify the importance of Adam Smith to the American economic system

Explain the importance of specialization, self-interest, competition, and economic freedom in a market economy

Examine Adam Smith's concept of the "invisible hand" of the marketplace

Discuss the ideas behind a laissez-faire government approach to the economy

Population and Immigration

Describe how the American population has changed over time.

Unit Lesson**Objectives**

Explain how immigration patterns have changed over time.

Unit Test

Cultural Foundations in the US and Canada

Ancient Civilizations: Early Peoples of North America

Describe patterns of early human migrations to North America

Explore how Paleo-Indians populated North America and adapted to their surroundings

Summarize the influence of agriculture on Archaic Indian societies

Ancient Civilizations: Native American and Inuit Cultures

Locate the regions where early North American people lived

Explore how environments affected early North American people

Examine certain cultural elements of early North American groups

History of the US: Foundations of Democracy

Explore changes in government and philosophy during the Enlightenment

Examine the impact of the Enlightenment on the American Revolution

Summarize ancient Greek and Roman ideas about democracy and citizenship

Assess the importance of Greek and Roman ideals in the creation of the American political process

Unit Test

Cumulative Exam

Cumulative Exam Review

Cumulative Exam