

Options FRMS Social Studies 7A-OR		Scope and Sequence
Unit	Lesson	Objectives
Introduction and Skills		
Sources of Historical Information		
		Explain sources used by historians to explore the past.
		Recognize how and why historical accounts change over time.
		Determine the central ideas of primary and secondary sources.
Using Primary and Secondary Sources		
		Recognize primary and secondary sources.
		Evaluate primary and secondary sources.
		Explain different historical viewpoints.
Analyzing Time Lines		
		Identify terms used to define time and time periods.
		Compare time-measurement systems.
		Read and analyze time lines.
Utilizing Timelines, Charts, and Graphs in Social Studies		
		Describe important steps to take when reading and using timelines.
		Explain how to read and use tables and organizers.
		Identify important steps to take when reading and using charts and graphs.
Thinking Geographically		
		Define geography and examine its various uses
		Identify the roles of perception, perspective, and scale in geography
Applying Geography to World History		

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		Analyze the purposes of various types of maps.
		Interpret maps using geographic tools.
		Compare ancient and current maps.
	World Geography: Eastern Hemisphere	
		Locate the physical features of the Eastern Hemisphere.
		Locate the political features of the Eastern Hemisphere.
		Describe the cultural characteristics of the Eastern Hemisphere.
		Interpret maps, charts, and graphs using geography and history skills.
	Unit Test	
	Early History of Africa	
	Geography of North Africa	
		Identify the major physical features of the Nile River Valley.
		Describe the importance of the Nile River to the ancient Egyptians.
		Analyze the influence of the natural environment on economic growth in ancient Egypt.
	Early Egypt	
		Analyze characteristics of the geography of ancient Egypt.
		Describe the characteristics of the Old, New and Middle Kingdoms.
		Explain the contributions of Egyptian pharaohs.
	Egyptian Culture	
		Explain the social characteristics of ancient Egypt.
		Examine various examples of monumental architecture.
		Describe the role of religion in ancient Egyptian culture.

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	Economy of Ancient Egypt	
		Describe the economy of ancient Egypt.
		Explain the importance of trade to the economy of ancient Egypt.
		Compare the economies of ancient Egypt and ancient Mesopotamia.
		Describe how trade influenced the culture of ancient Egypt.
	Society, Culture, and Trade in Early West African Societies	
		Describe key aspects of West African culture.
		Explain the effects of the trans-Saharan trade on the economies of West Africa.
		Explain the role of the trans-Saharan trade in the diffusion of Islamic culture in West Africa.
	Empires of Ghana, Mali, and Songhai	
		Describe the rise and fall of the empires of Ghana, Mali, and Songhai.
		Explain the contributions of key figures of the empires of West Africa.
		Analyze the growth of West African empires as centers of trade, culture, and learning.
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Contemporary Africa		
	Political Geography of Africa	
		Locate major countries and population centers in Africa
		Explore the features of the systems of government found in Africa
		Compare the governments of Kenya, South Africa, and Sudan with regard to their political structure and opportunities for civic participation
	Cultural Geography of Africa	
		Identify aspects of African cultures and ways European and Asian cultures have become infused

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		Explore the importance of Islam to the peoples of North Africa
		Analyze the importance of the arts to the cultures of Central and West Africa
		Examine major culture groups of East and Southern Africa and discover important aspects of their cultures
	Natural Resources and Economies of Africa	
		Identify and locate natural resources in Africa
		Explain how natural resources can lead to conflict
		Describe the major economic activities of Africa
		Compare economic systems found in Nigeria and South Africa
	Modern Issues in Africa: Heritage of Colonialism	
		Identify the reasons for the European colonization of Africa
		Explore the roles of pan-Africanism and nationalism in African independence movements
		Discuss the role of apartheid in South Africa's history
		Investigate the causes of conflict and civil war in independent Africa
	Write an Argumentative Essay about Africa's Environment	
		Introduce and support a claim about a topic.
		Organize reasons and evidence to support a claim.
		Use transitional words and phrases to connect ideas.
		Explain how to write an argumentative essay.
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	Early History of the Middle East	
	Fertile Crescent	

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		Identify the major physical features of the Fertile Crescent.
		Describe the physical geography and climate of the Fertile Crescent.
		Explain the role of physical geography in the rise of Mesopotamian civilizations.
	Sumerian City-States	
		Describe the political, economic and social characteristics of the Sumerian city-states.
		Describe the achievements of the Sumerian civilization.
	The First Empires	
		Identify key figures in the creation and spread of the early Mesopotamian empires.
		Explain factors that influenced the rise and fall of the early Mesopotamian empires.
		Describe the achievements of the early Mesopotamian empires.
	The Rise of Judaism	
		Describe the origins of Judaism.
		Explain the contributions of the kingdom of Israel and its leaders.
		Identify characteristics of Judaism, and how they differ from other belief systems.
	Origins and Teachings of Islam	
		Describe the origins of Islam.
		Explain the primary teachings of Islam.
		Explain the spread of Islam through the Arab world.
	Muslim Empires	
		Explain the expansion of Muslim empires through conquest and treaties.
		Explain the rise of the Ottoman Empire as a political and cultural force.
		Analyze the effects of the expansion of Muslim empires.

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	Muslim Merchants and Trade in the Medieval World	
		Describe the growth of cities and the development of trade routes in Asia, Africa, and Europe.
		Describe the role of Muslim merchants in society.
		Describe the effect of trade on the diffusion of Islam.
	Unit Test	
Mediterranean Empires		
	Geography of the Mediterranean	
		Describe geographic features of ancient Greece.
		Explain how physical geography influenced the development of civilization in ancient Greece.
	Early Greece	
		Identify the geographical factors that led to changes in Greece.
		Describe the characteristics of the Minoan and Mycenaean civilizations.
		Describe characteristics of ancient Greek culture before the development of city-states.
	The Persian Empire	
		Describe the expansion of the Persian Empire.
		Describe key elements of ancient Persian culture.
		Explain the causes and effects of the Persian Wars with Greece.
	Greece's Golden Age	
		Explain Pericles's changes to the Athenian system of government and compare it to the democracy in the United States.
		Describe the events surrounding the Peloponnesian War.
		Evaluate the philosophical, scientific, historical, and artistic contributions of the ancient Greeks.

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	The Achievements of Ancient Greece	<p>Identify significant figures and contributions of ancient Greece.</p> <p>Describe the purposes of major Greek architecture.</p> <p>Examine the influence of ancient Greek philosophers and their impact on education and society in Greece.</p>
	Test	
The Contemporary Middle East		
	Political Geography of the Middle East	<p>Locate major countries and population centers in the Middle East</p> <p>Explore the features of the systems of government found in the Middle East</p> <p>Compare the governments of Israel, Saudi Arabia, and Iran with regard to their political structure and opportunities for civic participation</p>
	Cultural Characteristics of the Middle East	<p>Explore the cultural characteristics of the Middle East</p> <p>Investigate the role of Islam in the language and culture of the Middle East</p> <p>Examine the factors that affect the standard of living in the Middle East</p>
	Natural Resources and Economies of the Middle East	<p>Identify and locate natural resources in the Middle East</p> <p>Explain how natural resources have led to conflict</p> <p>Describe the major economic activities of the Middle East</p> <p>Compare economic systems found in Israel, Saudi Arabia, and Turkey</p>
	Environmental Issues in the Middle East	<p>Identify ways that human populations have interacted with water in the Middle East</p>

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		Describe ways that the oil industry has affected the environment of the Middle East
		Summarize major environmental concerns in the growing cities of the Middle East
	Modern Issues in the Middle East	
		Describe the effects of the occupation and partitioning of the Middle East by European nations
		Examine how the foundation of the state of Israel led to conflict
		Summarize the events that have caused conflict in the Middle East in recent decades
	Unit Test	
Cumulative Exam		
	Cumulative Exam Review	
	Cumulative Exam	