

7th Grade Social Studies

2021 - 2022 School Year

Textbook:

World Geography & Ancient Civilizations II
McGraw Hill



Course Overview

Welcome to Grade 7 Social Studies! This year, students will continue the sequence from 6th grade, studying the development of ancient and classical civilizations and physical geography of Asia, Oceania, and Europe. Each term, students will travel to a new teacher and learn about a different area of the world.

This course has a heavy geography focus. One day per week will be devoted solely to analyzing and studying the geography of the particular region students are learning about. At the end of each term, there will be a geography test to evaluate students' knowledge of the various countries, capitals, landforms, etc. that have been covered in that term.

The rest of class time will be spent learning about the various civilizations in each geographical area, examining essential questions such as, "*How did the concept of self-government develop?*" and "*Why do empires rise and fall?*"

Students will engage in a variety of learning modalities such as group readings and discussions, map analysis/creation, research projects and other project-based learning opportunities throughout the year.

Should you need extra help, please arrange a time during Enrichment and Intervention or after school with your current teacher.

Teacher/Topic

Ms. Vaughen

- Chapter 1 - South Asia
- Chapter 3 - Ancient India
- Chapter 4 - East Asia
- Chapter 5 - Early China
- Chapter 6 - Imperial China

Mrs. Dillon

- Chapter 7 - Korea, Japan, & Southeast Asia
- Chapter 8 - Southeast Asia
- Chapter 9 - Australia & New Zealand
- Chapter 10 - Oceania

Mr. Rosen

- Chapter 2 - Central Asia, The Caucasus, & Siberian Russia
- Chapter 11 - Western Europe
- Chapter 12 - Northern & Southern Europe
- Chapter 13 - Eastern Europe & Western Russia

Mrs. Parsons

- Chapter 14 - The Ancient Greeks
- Chapter 15 - Greek Civilizations
- Chapter 16 - Rome: Republic to Empire
- Chapter 17 - Roman Civilization

Grading

Grades will be weighted into the following categories each term:

Tests/Projects:	50%
Quizzes:	25%
Classwork/Homework:	25%