

7th Grade Social Studies Syllabus

Welcome to Grade 7 Social Studies! We will be using the *History Alive* textbook and workbook. Students will be graded on chapter tests, writing assignments, workbook completions, presentations and class participation. The Unit outline is roughly as follows:



Unit Outline:

Unit I Early Man

- The Geography of the Arabian Peninsula
- Overview of Archeology and Anthropology
- Australopithecus and Neanderthalis
- The Discovery of Agriculture
- Ancient Sumeria

Unit II Ancient Egypt

- The impact of geography on settlement
- The Class System
- Religion's impact on culture
- Three Kingdoms of Ancient Egypt

Unit III Ancient Greece

- The geography of Greece and its impact on agriculture
- The forms of government and the creation of democracy
- Compare and Contrast: Sparta v Athens
- The Persian War

Unit IV Ancient Rome

- The myth of the civilization's foundation
- The creation of written law
- The downfall of the Republic
- The expansion of the empire

Grading Policies

Grades will be weighted into the following categories:

Tests	35%
Quizzes / Notebook Checks	25%
Classwork	30%
Homework	10%

Classroom Procedures

Students will follow the classroom norms for success in social studies:

- I will be ready to begin working with all of my materials in class when the bell rings.
- I will submit my daily homework on time.
- I will only submit my own work. Plagiarism will result in an automatic zero.
- I will submit my classwork on Schoology. I will complete work when I am absent.
- I will ask to leave the classroom and sign out when given permission.
- I will treat all classroom resources with respect.
- I will work productively from bell to bell. If I finish an assignment early, I will complete an extension project.

Student signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent signature: _____

Date: _____