

6th Grade World History Syllabus

Academic Year 2026-2027

Course Description: This course explores the early civilizations, cultures, and historical developments that shaped our world. Students will examine key events, people, and places from ancient times through the Middle Ages, fostering critical thinking and connections to the modern world.

Course Objectives

- Understand the development and impact of ancient civilizations.
- Analyze historical sources and evidence.
- Explore cultural, political, and technological innovations.
- Develop map and geography skills.
- Connect historical events to contemporary issues.

Units of Study

1. **Introduction to World History & Geography**
2. Historical inquiry and methods
3. Geographical tools and concepts
4. **Early Human Societies**
5. Paleolithic Era
6. Neolithic Revolution
7. **Ancient Mesopotamia**
8. Sumerians, Babylonians, Assyrians
9. Government, religion, and innovations
10. **Ancient Egypt**
11. Pharaohs and dynasties
12. Society, pyramids, and achievements
13. **Ancient India**

14. Indus Valley Civilization
15. Hinduism, Buddhism, Mauryan and Gupta Empires
- 16. Ancient China**
17. Dynasties: Shang, Zhou, Qin, Han
18. Philosophies and inventions
- 19. Ancient Greece**
20. City-states: Athens and Sparta
21. Democracy, mythology, and culture
- 22. Ancient Rome**
23. Republic and Empire
24. Law, architecture, and legacy
- 25. Africa and the Americas**
26. Kingdoms of Ghana, Mali, and Songhai
27. Early civilizations in Mesoamerica and South America
- 28. Medieval Europe**
29. Feudalism and the Middle Ages
30. Crusades and cultural changes

Assessment Methods

- Quizzes and tests
- Projects and presentations
- Class discussions
- Homework assignments
- Research papers

Materials

- Textbook
- Supplemental readings and handouts

- Maps and online resources

Class Policies

- Respectful participation and collaboration
- Timely completion of assignments
- Academic integrity
- Attendance and punctuality

Contact Information: Please reach out to your teacher with any questions or concerns regarding the course or assignments.