

S.S.7th - Unit 2 World Map Skills and Geography Program (Grade 7)

Content Area: **Social Studies**
Course(s): **Generic Course**
Time Period: **Marking Period 1**
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Established Goals/Standards

Please choose the appropriate Goals/Standards from the Standards tab above.

SOC.K-12.6.6	All students will apply understanding of knowledge of spatial relationships and other geographic skills to understand human behavior in relation to the physical and cultural environment.
SOC.K-12.6.6.A	The World in Spatial Terms
SOC.K-12.6.6.A.1	Technological tools such as GIS, GPS and the Internet assist with solving problems related to understanding location, distance and direction.
SOC.K-12.6.6.A.a	How do geographic tools and technologies pose and answer questions about spatial distributions and patterns on Earth?
SOC.K-12.6.6.B	Place and Regions
SOC.K-12.6.6.B.1	Both the physical characteristics and human inhabitants of regions change over time.
SOC.K-12.6.6.B.2	Regional geographic differences can result in social, economic and political differences.
SOC.K-12.6.6.B.a	How does human migration affect a region?
SOC.K-12.6.6.C.1	Where we live influences how we live.
SOC.K-12.6.6.C.2	Natural resources determine a nation's wealth.
SOC.K-12.6.6.C.a	Is geography destiny?
SOC.K-12.6.6.C.b	How do natural resources affect the course of history?
SOC.K-12.6.6.E.1	Innovations in technology have resulted in an interconnected world.
SOC.K-12.6.6.E.2	Technological changes impact the environment.
SOC.K-12.6.6.E.a	What are the potential limits of technology?
SOC.K-12.6.6.E.b	How do human activity and environment affect each other?
SOC.K-12.6.6.E.c	How big a threat is global warming?
	Knowledge of geography and application of geographic skills enables students to understand relationships between people, their behavior, places and the environment for problem solving and historical understanding.

Essential Questions

Please add your Essential Questions by clicking on the Lists tab above.

- How can geographic perspective be used to analyze current events?
- How do human systems interact to create diverse patterns of human geography?
- How do the tools of geography inform us with more complexity?

- What are the tools of geography and how are they changing?

Enduring Understanding

Please add your Enduring Understandings by clicking on the Lists tab above.

- Geographic perspective helps us to analyze data in larger patterns to understand the global context in which the events occur.
- Geographic tools take data and display it spatially so that patterns and complexity can be more easily understood.
- Human systems are created to serve the economic, political, and social needs of the people.

Content

- Identify the physical and human characteristics of places and use knowledge to define and study regions. Interpret regional patterns of change.
- Identify the physical and human characteristics of places. Use knowledge to define and study regions and interpret their patterns of change.
- Understand how economic, political, cultural and social processes interact to shape diverse patterns of human populations, movement, interdependence, cooperation, and conflict.
- Understand how physical processes shape Earth's surface patterns and systems.
- Understand the effects of interactions between human and physical systems and the importance of resources.
- Use and construct maps, globes, and other geographic tools to locate and derive information about people, places and environments.

Resources

- ActivBoard Flipcharts
- Classroom maps
- Google Earth
- Junior Scholastic magazine
- Nystrom "Our World Today" Map Program
- Nystrom "World Atlas"
- Various websites