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**Social Studies Lesson Plan
6th Grade Curriculum
Total Activities: 110**

Chapter - "Ancient Hebrew Civilization"-The learner will examine the geographic, political, economic, religious, and social structures of the ancient Hebrew civilization.		
Lesson Code	Lesson Title and Description	LA Number
1	History of Judaism-Explain the origins of Judaism as the first religion based on the concept of one god. Analyze the significance of monotheism and the concept of moral laws for humanity. Discuss the Hebrew Bible as the source of the teachings and central beliefs of Judaism. Explain the role of beliefs such as the observance of law and the concepts of righteousness and justice. Discuss how the ideas of the Hebrews are reflected in the moral and ethical traditions of Western civilization.	6179 6180
Chapter - "Early Civilizations of India"-The learner will demonstrate understanding of the geographic, political, economic, religious, and social structures of the early civilizations of India.		
Lesson Code	Lesson Title and Description	LA Number
3	From Brahmanism to Hinduism- Investigate the major beliefs and practices of Brahmanism in India and	6156 6158

	how they grew into Hinduism.	
4	The Caste System-Investigate the social structure of the caste system.	6159 6163
5	Buddhism in India-Summarize the life and moral teachings of Buddha. Describe how Buddhism spread in India, Ceylon, and Central Asia. Describe the growth of the Maurya Empire and Emperor Asoka's political and moral achievements.	6160 6165
7	Contributions of India-Identify important artistic and intellectual contributions of the civilizations of India, including Sanskrit literature (<i>Bhagavad Gita</i>), medicine, astronomy, and mathematics.	6161
Chapter -"Early Civilizations of China"-The learner will analyze the geographic, political, economic, religious, and social structures of the early civilizations of China.		
Lesson Code	Lesson Title and Description	LA Number
1	Emperor Shi Huangdi-Summarize the achievements of the emperor Shi Huangdi when unifying northern China under the Qin dynasty.	6164 6167
2	The Han Dynasty-Examine the contributions of the Han dynasty that led to the development and expansion of the empire. Explain the significance and location of the "silk roads" of the Han and Roman empires.	6166 6168
4	The Tang Dynasty-Describe the reunification of China under the Tang dynasty. Examine the reasons for the spread of Buddhism in China, Korea, and Japan during Tang China. Describe the agricultural, technological, and commercial developments during the Tang and Sung periods.	6170 6173
6	Chinese Discoveries-Examine the	6169

	historical influence of Chinese discoveries such as tea, the manufacture of paper, the compass, woodblock printing, and gunpowder.	6171
Chapter - "Rome"-The learner will investigate the geographic, political, economic, religious, and social structures in the development of Rome.		
Lesson Code	Lesson Title and Description	LA Number
1	Rise of Rome-Describe the location and rise of the Roman Republic. Investigate the following mythical and historical figures: Aeneas, Romulus and Remus, Cincinnatus, Julius Caesar, and Cicero.	6141 6142
2	Features of the Government-Explain significant features of the government of the Roman Republic: written constitution, tripartite government, checks and balances, and civic duty.	6143 6144
3	Reasons for the Growth-Describe the political and geographic reasons for the growth of the Roman territories and empire, including the use of currency and trade routes. Describe the roles of Julius Caesar and Augustus Caesar in Rome's transition from republic to empire.	6145 6146
5	Jewish Migration-Describe the migration of Jews in the Mediterranean region and their conflicts with the Romans.	6147 6150
6	Origins of Christianity-Summarize the origins of Christianity in Jewish prophecies, the life and teachings of Jesus of Nazareth, and the contribution of St. Paul the Apostle to the spread of Christian beliefs.	6148 6151
7	How Christianity Spread-Describe how Christianity spread in Europe and other Roman territories.	6148 6152

8	Roman Legacy-Explain the legacy of Roman art and architecture, technology and science, literature, language, and law.	6153 6154
Chapter -"Civilizations of Islam"-The learner will demonstrate an understanding of the geographic, political, economic, religious, and social structures of civilizations of Islam in the Middle Ages.		
Lesson Code	Lesson Title and Description	LA Number
1	The Arabian Peninsula-Describe the climate and physical features of the Arabian Peninsula and its surroundings.	6172 6174
3	Spread of Muslim Rule-Explain the spread of Muslim rule by military conquest and treaties. Discuss the blending of cultures in the civilization and the acceptance of Islam and Arabic.	6175 6177
5	Muslim Contributions-Identify the contributions that Muslim scholars made to later civilizations in science, geography, mathematics, philosophy, medicine, art, and literature.	6043 6176
Chapter -"African Civilization"-The learner will analyze the geographic, political, economic, religious, and social structures of the sub-Saharan African civilizations of Ghana and Mali.		
Lesson Code	Lesson Title and Description	LA Number
1	West African Civilization-Locate the Niger River and the vegetation zones of forest, savanna, and desert. Relate these features to the trade in gold, salt, food, and slaves, as well as to the growth of the Ghananian and Malian empires.	6077 6080
2	Effects of the Caravan Trade-Describe the caravan trade across the Sahara and its role in changing religious and cultural characteristics of West Africa.	6078 6081

3	Written & Oral Traditions-Summarize the importance of written and oral traditions in African history and culture.	6079 6082
Chapter -"Settling the Western U.S."-The learner will demonstrate an understanding of the history of the United States during the settlement of the American West.		
Lesson Code	Lesson Title and Description	LA Number
1	Development of the West-Describe the role of mining and the transcontinental railroad in the development of the West.	6001 6002
2	The Plains Indians-Identify the Native American nations that lived on the Great Plains. Describe the culture of the Plains Indians.	6003 6004
3	Settler & Native American Wars-Explain why wars broke out between settlers and Native Americans. Name the battles that took place on the plains. Describe how the government ended wars.	6005 6006
4	Life on the Plains-Describe how cattle ranching became a big business. Describe how farmers adapted to life on the plains.	6007 6008
5	Farming in the Late 1800's-Explain why farmers faced hard times in the late 1800s. Discuss how farmers organized to help themselves.	6009 6010
Chapter -"Industrial Revolution"-The learner will analyze how the growth of big business and heavy industry transformed American society during the Industrial Revolution.		
Lesson Code	Lesson Title and Description	LA Number
1	Importance of Railroads-Explain why railroads grew after the Civil War. Describe their impact.	6011 6012

2	Steel & Big Business-Explain how steel became a big industry. Describe how business leaders helped build American industry. Explain why some people criticized big business.	6013 6014
3	Inventions of the Time-Describe how the telephone was invented. Name the discoveries and inventions of Thomas Alva Edison. Explain how Henry Ford created a new way to make cars.	6015 6016
4	Work in the Factory-Describe how factory work changed in the 1880s. Describe how workers tried to improve their lives. Explain why violence broke out between workers and owners.	6017 6018
Chapter -"Custom Curriculum"-Custom Curriculum		
Lesson Code	Lesson Title and Description	LA Number
9	Custom Standard-Custom Standard	
Chapter -"Immigration to America"-The learner will examine the influx of immigrants in America after 1870 and how new social patterns, conflicts, and ideas of national unity developed amid growing cultural diversity.		
Lesson Code	Lesson Title and Description	LA Number
1	Coming to America-Explain why and how millions of people immigrated to America. Discuss how native-born Americans reacted to the newcomers.	6019 6020
2	Growth of American Cities-Explain the growth of American cities. Identify the different populations that lived in the cities. Describe attempts at urban improvement.	6021 6022
3	Changes in the Late 1800's-Describe how cities changed in the late 1800s. Name the sports that Americans enjoyed. Describe how music influenced	6023 6024

	American life.	
Chapter - "United States 1877-1914"-The learner will describe the political, social, and economic changes that transformed the United States in the years 1877-1914.		
Lesson Code	Lesson Title and Description	LA Number
4	Presidents Roosevelt & Wilson-Describe how Theodore Roosevelt became president. Identify the reforms that Roosevelt supported. Discuss Woodrow Wilson's policies as president.	6027 6029
5	Fighting for Equality-Describe how life for African Americans worsened in the 1890s. Discuss how African-American leaders fought discrimination. Identify the problems faced by African, Asian, Mexican, and Native Americans.	6028 6030 66954
Chapter - "The U.S. as a World Power"-The learner will demonstrate knowledge of the circumstances that helped the United States become a world power.		
Lesson Code	Lesson Title and Description	LA Number
1	Overseas Expansion-Explain why some Americans called for overseas expansion in the late 1800s. Describe how the United States gained Alaska. Explain how the United States increased its influence in the Pacific.	6031 6032
2	The Spanish-American War-Explain the importance of Latin America to the United States. Identify the causes of the Spanish-American War, and explain why American opinion was divided regarding the peace treaty.	6033 6034
3	The Panama Canal-Describe how the United States built the Panama Canal.	6035 6036
4	Invasion of Mexico in 1916-Discuss the policies of the United States toward	6037 6038

	Latin America. Explain why the United States invaded Mexico in 1916.	
Chapter -"Investigate Your State"-The learner will investigate people, events, and ideas that were significant in the development of his or her state.		
Lesson Code	Lesson Title and Description	LA Number
1	Native American Artifacts-Describe Native American artifacts that have been found in your state, and write an essay describing these peoples' lives.	6125
2	Native American Homes-Conduct research to determine which type or types of Native American homes were used in your state. Include a detailed description of each type.	6126
5	Your Major Officeholders-Identify your state's major officeholders, such as governor, lieutenant governor, state senators, and local representatives. Write your local representative a letter that expresses your views on a current local or state issue.	6127
6	Branches of Local Government-Create a chart depicting the branches of your local community government. Include the names of current officeholders.	6128
Chapter -"Characteristics of Your State"-The learner will investigate the natural resources, industries, and landmarks of his or her state.		
Lesson Code	Lesson Title and Description	LA Number
2	National & State Landmarks-Collect postcards and travel information depicting national and state landmarks in your state. Write to tourism boards, or research online sources, for information on the landmarks. Use this information to create your own travel brochure that	6130

	encourages others to visit your favorite landmark.	
4	Major Industries-Investigate the major industries of your state. Explain how these industries may be related to the availability of natural resources. Identify key people who were instrumental in the formation of each industry.	6178
Chapter - "Maps/Globes/Geographic Tools"-The learner will develop skills working with maps, globes, and other geographic tools.		
Lesson Code	Lesson Title and Description	LA Number
1	Advantages & Disadvantages-Identify the advantages and disadvantages of globes and maps.	6039 6040
3	The Global Address System-Locate the North and South Poles in relationship to the Arctic and Antarctic Circles.	6041 6042
7	Weather Patterns-Examine weather patterns in relation to the formation of desert ecosystems of the Middle East.	6105 6106
Chapter - "Political Science"-The learner will develop an understanding of political science through the study of civic life.		
Lesson Code	Lesson Title and Description	LA Number
1	Characteristics of Citizens-Describe a <i>citizen</i> as defined in the Constitution, and explain how Americans are citizens of both their state and the United States. Describe the three ways to become a citizen of the United States.	6083 6086
2	American Principles & Values-Identify values and principles Americans share, as set forth in such documents as the Declaration of Independence and the United States Constitution. Explain why	6085 6088

	it is important to the guarantee of human rights that Americans understand and act on their shared political values and principles.	
3	Private Life & Civic Life-Differentiate between private life and civic life. Create a plan for participating in civic life.	6084 6087
Chapter -"U.S. Political System"-The learner will examine the United States political system in historical context and from the standpoint of present-day practice.		
Lesson Code	Lesson Title and Description	LA Number
2	Political Party-Describe what a political party is and what it means to be a party member. Examine the functions performed by political parties, and explain how they are organized.	6089 6091
4	Presidential Election-Explain how presidential candidates are selected. Summarize the presidential election from nominating conventions to general elections.	6090 6092
Chapter -"Economic System"-The learner will describe the influence of physical and cultural factors upon economic systems found in the Eastern world.		
Lesson Code	Lesson Title and Description	LA Number
1	Influences on Income-Explain how physical geography, specialization, and trade influence the way people earn income. Explain how increased specialization and trade make countries wealthier yet more interdependent. Explain why international trade requires a system for exchanging money between and among nations.	6096 6100
3	Decisions in a Market Economy-Explain how economic decisions are made in a market economy by describing the	6094 6098

	relationships among economic factors (such as scarcity, choice, opportunity cost, money, goods and services, price, and supply and demand).	
5	Different Economic Systems-Describe different economic systems: traditional, command, and market. Compare how each system determines what will be produced, for whom, and how production will be accomplished.	6093 6097
7	Gross Domestic Product (GDP)-Define gross domestic product (GDP). Compare and contrast the level and sources of GDP in countries of the Eastern world and the United States.	6095 6099

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