

Grade 6: Access Points

Civics and Government

Demonstrate an understanding of the origins and purposes of government, law and the American political system.

- 1 Identify how democratic concepts developed in ancient Greece served as a foundation for the United States' constitutional republic. [SS.6.CG.1.AP.1](#)
 - 2 Identify the influence of ancient Rome on the United States constitutional republic. [SS.6.CG.1.AP.2](#)
 - 3 Identify rule of law as a foundational principle of the U.S. government. [SS.6.CG.1.AP.3](#)
 - 4 Identify an example of civic leadership in ancient Greece and ancient Rome. [SS.6.CG.1.AP.4](#)
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Economics

Understand the fundamental concepts relevant to the development of a market economy.

- 1 Identify the factors that increase economic growth. [SS.6.E.1.AP.1](#)
 - 2 Identify the characteristics of traditional and command economies as they appear in different civilizations. [SS.6.E.1.AP.2](#)
 - 3 Identify the basic economic concepts found in early civilizations. [SS.6.E.1.AP.3](#)
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Understand the fundamental concepts relevant to the institutions, structure, and functions of a national economy.

- 1 Recognize that leaders or family groups make economic decisions for their civilizations. [SS.6.E.2.AP.1](#)
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Understand the fundamental concepts and interrelationships of the United States economy in the international marketplace.

- 1 Identify and explain why mediums of exchange were needed in trade between early civilizations. [SS.6.E.3.AP.1](#)
 - 2 Identify the products and barriers involved in trade between civilizations. [SS.6.E.3.AP.2](#)
 - 3 Identify the elements of traditional economies that led to the need for a merchant class. [SS.6.E.3.AP.3](#)
 - 4 Identify the benefits and drawbacks of voluntary trade between civilizations. [SS.6.E.3.AP.4](#)
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Geography

Understand how to use maps and other geographic representations, tools and technology to report information.

- 1 Select the correct latitude and longitude coordinates of a designated item on a map grid. [SS.6.G.1.AP.1](#)
 - 2 Identify the purposes of different types of maps, such as political, physical, or special purpose. [SS.6.G.1.AP.2](#)
 - 3 Identify various types of landforms such as the Seven Natural Wonders of Africa, Himalayas, and Gobi Desert. [SS.6.G.1.AP.3](#)
 - 4 Identify and use tools of geography, such as maps, globes, satellite images, and charts. [SS.6.G.1.AP.4](#)
 - 5 Use scale conversions and cardinal directions to identify distance and direction between two identified locations on a map or grid. [SS.6.G.1.AP.5](#)
 - 6 Identify types of major bodies of water in the world, and recognize ways they have impacted agriculture, trade, and exploration. [SS.6.G.1.AP.6](#)
 - 7 Use maps to identify landforms and boundaries of ancient civilizations that still shape the world today. [SS.6.G.1.AP.7](#)
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Understand physical and cultural characteristics of places.

- 1 Identify the impact of physical characteristics, climate, or natural resources upon the settlement and economies of ancient civilizations. [SS.6.G.2.AP.1](#)
 - 2 Identify different ways civilizations defined their territory, such as countries, city-states, provinces, kingdoms, and empires. [SS.6.G.2.AP.2](#)
 - 3 Identify how the development of ancient river valley civilizations was shaped by the geography and proximity of the river. [SS.6.G.2.AP.3](#)
 - 4 Identify ways the geographical location of ancient civilizations contributed to the culture, economy, and politics. [SS.6.G.2.AP.4](#)
 - 5 Explain how geographic boundaries such as rivers, deserts, and mountains invite or limit interactions with other regions and cultures. [SS.6.G.2.AP.5](#)
 - 6 Define cultural diffusion and identify the influences of different ancient cultures on one another. [SS.6.G.2.AP.6](#)
 - 7 Identify distribution of population in the ancient world on a map. [SS.6.G.2.AP.7](#)
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Understand the relationships between the Earth's ecosystems and the populations that dwell within them.

- 1 Identify the impact of physical landscape on the development of agriculture and/or industry in the ancient world. [SS.6.G.3.AP.1](#)
- 2 Identify the impact of human population on the ancient worlds environment [SS.6.G.3.AP.2](#)

Understand the characteristics, distribution, and migration of human populations.

- 1 Identify how family and ethnic relationships influenced ancient cultures. [SS.6.G.4.AP.1](#)
- 2 Use a map to identify a prehistoric migration route used by humans. [SS.6.G.4.AP.2](#)
- 3 Identify a migration pattern in Africa or Asia, where evidence of early human societies has been found. [SS.6.G.4.AP.3](#)
- 4 Use a map to identify countries or regions where various belief systems spread in the ancient world. [SS.6.G.4.AP.4](#)

Understand how human actions can impact the environment.

- 1 Identify examples of what ancient people used to compensate for the scarcity of resources. [SS.6.G.5.AP.1](#)
- 2 Identify why ancient civilizations developed transportation networks of highways and waterways. [SS.6.G.5.AP.2](#)
- 3 Identify the effects of famine, drought, and other natural disasters on ancient civilizations. [SS.6.G.5.AP.3](#)

Understand how to apply geography to interpret the past and present and plan for the future.

- 1 Identify ways geographers organize information, such as by spatial terms, places and regions, human systems, and the environment. [SS.6.G.6.AP.1](#)
- 2 Identify locations on ancient and current maps of the world. [SS.6.G.6.AP.2](#)

World History**Utilize historical inquiry skills and analytical processes.'**

- 1 Use timelines to identify chronological order of historical events. [SS.6.W.1.AP.1](#)
- 2 Identify terms used as designations of time periods. [SS.6.W.1.AP.2](#)
- 3 Identify examples of primary and secondary sources. [SS.6.W.1.AP.3](#)
- 4 Identify methods of historical inquiry and how history relates to the other social sciences. [SS.6.W.1.AP.4](#)
- 5 Identify the role of historians and recognize that historians interpretations may differ. [SS.6.W.1.AP.5](#)
- 6 Identify how history transmits culture and heritage. [SS.6.W.1.AP.6](#)

Describe the emergence of early civilizations (Nile, Tigris-Euphrates, Indus, and Yellow Rivers, Meso and South American).

- 1 Identify the similarities and differences in the lifestyles of hunter-gatherers with settlers of early agricultural communities. [SS.6.W.2.AP.1](#)
- 2 Identify ways that agriculture and metallurgy changed life in early civilizations. [SS.6.W.2.AP.2](#)
- 3 Identify the characteristics of civilization. [SS.6.W.2.AP.3](#)
- 4 Identify the economic, political, social, and religious institutions of ancient river civilizations. [SS.6.W.2.AP.4](#)
- 5 Identify important achievements of the Egyptian civilization. [SS.6.W.2.AP.5](#)
- 6 Identify the contributions of key figures from ancient Egypt. [SS.6.W.2.AP.6](#)
- 7 Identify important achievements of the Mesopotamian civilization. [SS.6.W.2.AP.7](#)
- 8 Identify the impact of key figures from ancient Mesopotamian civilizations. [SS.6.W.2.AP.8](#)
- 9 Identify key figures and a basic belief of the ancient Israelites and how they differed from those of others in the geographic area. [SS.6.W.2.AP.9](#)
- 10 Identify the emergence of the early river civilizations with the advanced civilizations in Meso and South America. [SS.6.W.2.AP.10](#)

Recognize significant events, figures, and contributions of classical civilizations (Phoenicia, Greece, Rome, Axum).

- 1 Identify the cultural impact the ancient Phoenicians had on the Mediterranean world regarding colonization, exploration, maritime commerce, and written communication. [SS.6.W.3.AP.1](#)
- 2 Identify the democratic concepts developed in ancient Greece. [SS.6.W.3.AP.2](#)
- 3 Identify the characteristics of life in Athens and Sparta. [SS.6.W.3.AP.3](#)
- 4 Identify the causes and effects of the Persian and Peloponnesian Wars. [SS.6.W.3.AP.4](#)
- 5 Identify the important achievements and contributions of ancient Greek civilization. [SS.6.W.3.AP.5](#)
- 6 Identify the impact of key figures from ancient Greece. [SS.6.W.3.AP.6](#)
- 7 Identify the key achievements, contributions, and figures associated with the Hellenistic Period. [SS.6.W.3.AP.7](#)
- 8 Identify the impact of significant figures associated with ancient Rome. [SS.6.W.3.AP.8](#)
- 9 Identify the impact of the Punic Wars on the development of the Roman Empire. [SS.6.W.3.AP.9](#)
- 10 Identify the type of government found in the Roman Republic and its contribution to the development of democratic principles. [SS.6.W.3.AP.10](#)
- 11 Identify changes in the characteristics of life in Rome as it transitioned from republic to Imperial Rome. [SS.6.W.3.AP.11](#)
- 12 Explain the causes for the growth and longevity of the Roman Empire. [SS.6.W.3.AP.12](#)
- 13 Identify key figures and the basic beliefs of early Christianity, and how these beliefs impacted the Roman Empire. [SS.6.W.3.AP.13](#)
- 14 Identify the key achievements and contributions of Roman civilization. [SS.6.W.3.AP.14](#)
- 15 Identify the reasons for the gradual decline of the Western Roman Empire after the Pax Romana. [SS.6.W.3.AP.15](#)
- 16 Identify the aspects of society in the Roman Republic for patricians, plebeians, women, children, and the enslaved and indentured. [SS.6.W.3.AP.16](#)
- 17 Identify how the spread and influence of the Latin language impacted Western Civilization. [SS.6.W.3.AP.17](#)
- 18 Identify factors in the rise and fall of the ancient east African kingdoms, including Kush, Axum, and Ethiopia. [SS.6.W.3.AP.18](#)

Recognize significant events, figures, and contributions of classical Asian civilizations (China, India).

- 1 Identify the significance of Aryan and other tribal migrations on Indian civilization. [SS.6.W.4.AP.1](#)
- 2 Identify the major beliefs and practices associated with Hinduism and the social structure of the caste system in ancient India. [SS.6.W.4.AP.2](#)
- 3 Identify the political and cultural achievements of the Mauryan and Gupta empires. [SS.6.W.4.AP.3](#)
- 4 Identify the teachings of Buddha and trace how Buddhism spread in India, Ceylon, and other parts of Asia. [SS.6.W.4.AP.4](#)
- 5 Identify the important achievements and contributions of ancient Indian civilization, in written language, science, and/or mathematics. [SS.6.W.4.AP.5](#)
- 6 Identify the concept of the Mandate of Heaven and its connection to the Zhou and later dynasties. [SS.6.W.4.AP.6](#)
- 7 Identify the basic teachings of Laozi, Confucius, and Han Fei Zi. [SS.6.W.4.AP.7](#)
- 8 Identify the contributions of classical and post classical China. [SS.6.W.4.AP.8](#)
- 9 Identify key figures from classical and post classical China. [SS.6.W.4.AP.9](#)
- 10 Identify the significance of the silk roads and maritime routes across the Indian Ocean to the movement of goods and ideas. [SS.6.W.4.AP.10](#)
- 11 Identify the rise and expansion of the Mongol empire and its effects on peoples of Asia and Europe including the achievements of Ghengis and Kublai Khan. [SS.6.W.4.AP.11](#)
- 12 Identify the objectives and outcomes of Chinese isolationism in the 15th century. [SS.6.W.4.AP.12](#)