

Mississippi Social Studies

# Grade 7

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### World History from Pre-Historic Era to the Age of Enlightenment

1. Investigate the development of civilization in the Nile River Valley. 7.1
  1. Evaluate how the physical features of Egypt influenced the development of civilization. 7.1.1
  2. Analyze how religion affected the lives of the ancient Egyptians (e.g., architecture, the afterlife, mummification, etc.). 7.1.2
  3. Describe the unique features of ancient Egyptian culture and social class structure. 7.1.3
  4. Explain the power structure of the ancient Egyptian government. 7.1.4
  5. Evaluate the significance of the discovery of the Rosetta Stone. 7.1.5
  6. Trace the influence of trade on the development of Egypt. 7.1.6
2. Examine the development of civilization in the river valleys of China. 7.2
  1. Summarize the influence of geographical features on the development of ancient China. 7.2.1
  2. Compare and contrast the origins, foundational beliefs and spread of Confucianism and Taoism. 7.2.2
  3. Describe various aspects of Chinese culture, including language, art, architecture, and social class. 7.2.3
  4. Explain the evolution of imperial government of China. 7.2.4
  5. Discuss the creation of the Great Wall. 7.2.5
  6. Trace the influence of trade on the development of China. 7.2.6
3. Analyze the development of civilization in Indus Valley. 7.3
  1. Explain the influence of geographical features on the development of ancient Indus River Valley. 7.3.1
  2. Analyze the influence of Hinduism on Indian culture and social practices. 7.3.2
  3. Describe various aspects of Indian culture, including language, art, architecture. 7.3.3
  4. Analyze the power held by each class of the Indian caste system. 7.3.4
  5. Trace the influence of trade on the development of Indus River Valley. 7.3.5
4. Analyze the development of civilizations in ancient Greece. 7.4
  1. Assess the influence of geographical features on the development of ancient Greece. 7.4.1
  2. Explain how the polytheistic belief system of the ancient Greeks influenced their daily lives. 7.4.2
  3. Describe various aspects of Greek culture including the development of language, art, architecture, social class, and philosophy. 7.4.3
  4. Compare and contrast the monarchy, oligarchy, and democracy of ancient Greece. 7.4.4

5. Compare and contrast Athens and Sparta. 7.4.5
6. Trace the influence of trade on the development of Greece. 7.4.6
5. Examine the history of ancient Rome. 7.5
  1. Explain how the geographical features of the Italian Peninsula influenced the development of ancient Rome. 7.5.1
  2. Analyze how religion impacted the daily lives of the Romans. 7.5.2
  3. Describe Roman culture, including art, language, social class, and recreation. 7.5.3
  4. Contrast the monarchy, republic, and empire of Rome. 7.5.4
  5. Trace the influence of trade on the development of Rome. 7.5.5
6. Evaluate the development of sub-Saharan civilizations in East, South and West Africa. 7.6
  1. Explain how the geographical features of sub-Saharan Africa influenced the development of civilization. 7.6.1
  2. Analyze the origins and foundational beliefs of traditional African religions. 7.6.2
  3. Analyze the influence of Islam on the civilizations of sub-Saharan Africa. 7.6.3
  4. Describe various aspects of culture, including art, architecture, and class structure in sub-Saharan Africa. 7.6.4
  5. Explain how the civilizations of sub-Saharan Africa were governed. 7.6.5
  6. Trace the influence of trade on the development of sub-Saharan Africa. 7.6.6
7. Examine the developments of early world religions and philosophies. 7.7
  1. Compare and contrast animism, monotheism, and polytheism. 7.7.1
  2. Explain the origins and foundational beliefs of Hinduism, Judaism, Buddhism, Christianity, and Islam. 7.7.2
  3. Trace the spread of Hinduism, Judaism, Buddhism, Christianity, and Islam across the globe. 7.7.3
8. Assess the Middle Ages and the emergence of nation-states in Europe. 7.8
  1. Explain the system of feudalism and its relationship to the development of European monarchies and nation-states. 7.8.1
  2. Analyze the effects of the Magna Carta on the feudal system. 7.8.2
  3. Describe how the Magna Carta led to the development of a representative government in England. 7.8.3
  4. Describe the events of the Crusades. 7.8.4
  5. Evaluate the Crusades' lasting effects on Europe. 7.8.5
  6. Examine the role and influence of the Roman Catholic Church in medieval Europe. 7.8.6
  7. Analyze the economic, political, and social effects of the plague on Europe. 7.8.7

9. Investigate the impact of the Renaissance and the Reformation on Europe. 7.9
    1. Explain the influence of humanism on the development of the Renaissance. 7.9.1
    2. Identify key figures of the Renaissance including their accomplishments in the arts, music, literature, and architecture. 7.9.2
    3. Explain the causes, events, and points of contention of both the Reformation and the Counter Reformation. 7.9.3
    4. Evaluate how the Renaissance influenced the development of trade. 7.9.4
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**World History from Pre-Historic Era to the Age of Enlightenment and U.S. History: Exploration through Reconstruction (1877)**

1. Early World History - Examine the development of ancient civilizations:<ul><li>Egypt</li><li>Imperial China</li><li>India</li><li>Greece</li><li>Rome</li><li>Sub-Saharan Africa</li></ul> 7C.1
  1. Evaluate how geographic features of each region impacted the development of each civilization. 7C.1.1
  2. Analyze the influence of religion on each civilization. 7C.1.2
  3. Describe the cultures of each civilization. 7C.1.3
  4. Explain the governing power structure of each civilization. 7C.1.4
  5. Trace the influence of trade on the development of each civilization. 7C.1.5
  6. Explore the significance of each ancient civilization to modern life in the same region and across the globe. 7C.1.6
2. Early World History Assess the Middle Ages and the emergence of nation-states in Europe. 7C.2
  1. Explain the system of feudalism and its relationship to the development of European monarchies and nation-states. 7C.2.1
  2. Analyze the effects of the Magna Carta on the feudal system. 7C.2.2
  3. Examine the role and influence of the Roman Catholic Church in medieval Europe including the Crusades. 7C.2.3
  4. Analyze the economic, political, and social effects of the plague on Europe. 7C.2.4
3. Early World History - Investigate the impact of the Renaissance and the Reformation on Europe. 7C.3
  1. Identify key figures of the Renaissance including their accomplishments in the arts, music, literature, and architecture. 7C.3.1
  2. Explain the causes, events, and points of contention of both the Reformation and the Counter Reformation. 7C.3.2
  3. Evaluate how the Renaissance influenced the development of trade. 7C.3.3
4. U.S. History - Examine major aspects of the development of the United States from Exploration to 1754. 7C.4
  1. Trace explorers' routes to the New World. 7C.4.1
  2. Explain the development and impact of the Columbian Exchange. 7C.4.2
  3. Identify the economic, political, and religious reasons for founding the Thirteen Colonies and the role of indentured servitude and slavery in their settlement. 7C.4.3
  4. Describe how the English Bill of Rights, Mayflower Compact, and Virginia House of Burgesses led to the English Colonial idea of self-government. 7C.4.4
  5. Examine the diversity that emerged from the establishment of Colonial America. 7C.4.5

6. Describe the social structures that formed in the various colonies. [7C.4.6](#)
7. Describe the relationships between the various Native American and colonial groups. [7C.4.7](#)
5. U.S. History - Evaluate the key people, factors and events which led to the American Revolution and the establishment of United States government. [7C.5](#)
  1. Analyze the causes and consequences of the French and Indian War. [7C.5.1](#)
  2. Recognize the major reasons for English taxes after the French and Indian War and colonial responses from 1763-1774 (e.g., Proclamation of 1763, Sugar Act, Stamp Act, Townshend Acts, Boston Massacre, Tea Act, Boston Tea Party, Intolerable Acts, etc.). [7C.5.2](#)
  3. Identify key figures in the Revolutionary Era and their influence on the movement (e.g., George Washington, Samuel Adams, Crispus Attucks, John Adams, John Hancock, Mercy Otis Warren, etc.). [7C.5.3](#)
  4. Compare and contrast the decisions of the first and second Continental Congresses. [7C.5.4](#)
  5. Explain the historical and present-day significance of the Declaration of Independence. [7C.5.5](#)
  6. Examine the immediate events that led to the first shot of the Revolutionary War. [7C.5.6](#)
  7. Examine the significance of the major battles in the Revolutionary War. [7C.5.7](#)
  8. Evaluate the terms of the Treaty of Paris, 1783. [7C.5.8](#)
6. U.S. History - Examine the development of the Constitution of the United States of America. [7C.6](#)
  1. Describe the powers given to the Continental Congress by the Articles of Confederation. [7C.6.1](#)
  2. Analyze the weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation that led to a call for a new constitution. [7C.6.2](#)
  3. Identify the major compromises at the Constitutional Convention. [7C.6.3](#)
  4. Describe the framework of the United States Constitution, including powers of the Legislative, Executive, and Judicial branches. [7C.6.4](#)
  5. Describe the compromises between Federalists and Anti-Federalists that led to the creation of the Bill of Rights. [7C.6.5](#)
7. U.S. History - Analyze the challenges and central ideas involved in creating the new nation. [7C.7](#)
  1. Evaluate the differences in political opinions that led to the formation of political parties. [7C.7.1](#)
  2. Examine the lasting influence of George Washington as the first President of the United States. [7C.7.2](#)
  3. Analyze the impact of President George Washington's Farewell Address on the presidency of the United States. [7C.7.3](#)

4. Analyze the significance of early Supreme Court cases and explain their impacts on the United States (e.g., Marbury vs Madison (1803), McCulloch vs Maryland (1819), Dartmouth College vs Woodward (1819), Worcester vs Georgia (1832), etc.). [7C.7.4](#)
5. Assess the development and impact of early foreign policy decisions on the United States. [7C.7.5](#)
8. U.S. History - Interpret the geographical, social, and political causes, effects, and challenges of westward expansion. [7C.8](#)
  1. Evaluate the reasoning behind the Louisiana Purchase. [7C.8.1](#)
  2. Discuss the significance of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. [7C.8.2](#)
  3. Describe the purpose and challenges of Manifest Destiny. [7C.8.3](#)
  4. Analyze the political, religious, and economic incentives of Manifest Destiny. [7C.8.4](#)
  5. Summarize Andrew Jackson's role in the expansion of the United States. [7C.8.5](#)
  6. Examine the motivations and consequences of the Indian Removal Act. [7C.8.6](#)
9. U.S. History - Interpret the causes, effects, and challenges of the Industrial Revolution. [7C.9](#)
  1. Summarize the beginning of the Industrial Revolution in the United States. [7C.9.1](#)
  2. Identify key people and their contributions to the Industrial Revolution. [7C.9.2](#)
  3. Trace the development of transportation and communication systems during the Industrial Revolution. [7C.9.3](#)
  4. Compare and contrast the cultural, religious, and social impact of the Industrial Revolution on American. [7C.9.4](#)
  5. Assess how geography influenced the location of factories. [7C.9.5](#)
10. U.S. History - Evaluate the impact of social and political reforms on the development of American society. [7C.10](#)
  1. Examine abolitionists' role in bringing attention to the impact of slavery on the nation (e.g., Frederick Douglass, William Lloyd Garrison, Harriet Beecher Stowe, etc.). [7C.10.1](#)
  2. Compare and contrast the philosophies of natural rights expressed in the Declaration of Independence and the Declaration of Sentiments (e.g., "all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights", etc.). [7C.10.2](#)
  3. Examine the leaders of the Women's Suffrage Movement and their goals and strategies (e.g., Dorothea Dix, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Lucretia Mott, Susan B. Anthony, etc.). [7C.10.3](#)
11. U.S. History - Assess the social and economic conflicts between the North and South that led to the American Civil War. [7C.11](#)
  1. Trace the origins and development of slavery in the United States. [7C.11.1](#)

2. Describe the impact of the Industrial Revolution in northern states. [7C.11.2](#)
  3. Evaluate the importance of agriculture in southern states. [7C.11.3](#)
  4. Analyze the impact of the cotton gin on all social classes. [7C.11.4](#)
  5. Examine the impact of slavery on the nation's political, social, religious, economic, and cultural development. [7C.11.5](#)
  6. Identify major legislation and Supreme Court decisions that sought to overturn and preserve slavery resulting in sectional strife (e.g., Missouri Compromise, Compromise of 1850, Fugitive Slave Acts, Kansas-Nebraska Act, Bleeding Kansas, Underground Railroad, etc.). [7C.11.6](#)
12. U.S. History - Identify key people and evaluate the significant events of the American Civil War. [7C.12](#)
1. Analyze the reasons for the Civil War, including slavery and states' rights. [7C.12.1](#)
  2. Examine key battles and plans which shaped decisions for the North and the South (e.g., Fort Hood, First Bull Run, Shiloh, Antietam, Vicksburg, Gettysburg, Sherman March, Anaconda Plan, etc.). [7C.12.2](#)
  3. Identify significant political and military leaders from the North and the South and examine their contributions. [7C.12.3](#)
  4. Evaluate the contributions of women, African Americans, and other minority groups to the war effort (e.g., Clara Barton, 54th Massachusetts Regiment, Native Americans, etc.). [7C.12.4](#)
  5. Analyze the factors that led to the Northern victory of the Civil War (e.g., total war, industrial, population, resources, technological advantages, etc.). [7C.12.5](#)
  6. Analyze key government documents and actions of the Civil War (e.g., Emancipation Proclamation, Gettysburg Address, draft laws, etc.). [7C.12.6](#)
13. U.S. History - Analyze the Reconstruction efforts in the post-Civil War United States. [7C.13](#)
1. Compare congressional and presidential Reconstruction plans. [7C.13.1](#)
  2. Analyze southern resistance to Reconstruction reforms (e.g., Black Codes, Jim Crow Laws, Ku Klux Klan, etc.). [7C.13.2](#)
  3. Trace the economic changes in the post-Civil War South (e.g., Lincoln's Plan, Wade-Davis Bill, Johnson's Plan, Radical Reconstruction, etc.). [7C.13.3](#)
  4. Examine the roles of the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, and Fifteenth Amendments in expanding liberty for more Americans. [7C.13.4](#)