

6th Grade World History

Gifted Studies Course Review

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Ms. Skedel

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Welcome to "Gifted" World History!

This will be an exciting year as we embark on a journey that takes us from prehistoric times up to the development of early civilizations. Our travels will include the Middle East, Ancient Rome, India and Egypt and we will discover the relationship between the ancient world and our life today.

NOTE: In the "Gifted" Social Studies course, emphasis is placed on the continual development of higher level thinking skills, creativity and problem-solving capabilities.

Materials List

- ❑ Four Dou-tang folders with pockets
- ❑ Notebook paper
- ❑ Pens (BLUE OR BLACK ink)
- ❑ Pencils
- ❑ Colored pencils/crayons
- ❑ Markers (optional)
- ❑ Other material as needed for projects

Course Overview

<u>First Quarter:</u> Five Themes of Geography The Beginnings of Human History The Fertile Crescent: Mesopotamia Egypt	<u>Third Quarter:</u> Ancient Greece Ancient Rome
<u>Second Quarter:</u> Ancient India Ancient China Ancient Greece Ancient Americas	<u>Fourth Quarter:</u> Byzantine Empire Ancient Asian Civilizations Middle Ages Renaissance

Student Evaluation

Class Evaluation (Includes homework, classwork, class participation, bellwork) 35%	
Projects 30%	Assessments 30%
Management Folder 5%	

Class Participation. You will be evaluated on how well you participate in class. You are expected to come to class with all necessary materials, and to interact in a positive manner during class activities and discussions. Participation also includes satisfactory completion of homework, class work, and bell work.

Your **Management Folder** (aka your History folder) will be used on a daily basis and is a tool to effectively manage your course work. This must be brought to class every day. Homework, class work and handouts must be kept in your Management Folder. Any lost will have to be re-done.

Projects. During the course of the year, you will be assigned both individual and team projects. Group projects promote an understanding of the need to work effectively with others. Your individual contribution to the team, as well as the overall quality of the team project, will be evaluated.

Assessments (Tests/Quizzes) will be given to evaluate your knowledge and understanding of key concepts and facts.

Additional Information

- You are expected to write all assignments in your Agenda Book.
- Extra credit will be offered only to those that have all assignments turned in on time.
- There will be no late work accepted unless you have spoken to me and circumstances warrant an exception.
- If you are absent, you alone are responsible for finding out what was covered in class. Missed assignments because of absence are due the day after your return unless other arrangements are made with me.
- All tests with a grade of "D" or "F" must be signed by your parent/guardian.



After you and your parents have read the Course Overview, please detach at the dotted line, sign and return this portion to Ms. Skedel.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____