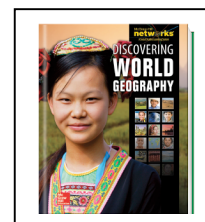


# Grade 7 World Geography & History

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2020-2021 Course Syllabus



## Classroom Expectations:

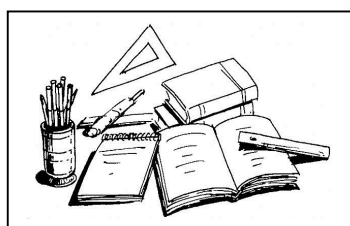
### ➤ Participation and Behavior



Learn from world geography and history. Learn to express your opinions, beliefs, and thoughts.

- 1) Respect one another at all times.
- 2) No food, drinks, or gum are allowed in class.

### ➤ Materials



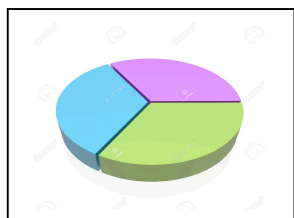
Daily required materials for class include:

- 1) Chrome book (online textbook access)
- 2) Class binder and loose leaf paper
- 3) Writing instruments (pencils, blue or black ink pens)
- 4) Completed homework

#### Storage and Organization Tips:

- Use binder to store class notes, assignments, and project materials.
- Note upcoming deadlines and organize work time.
- Track all ongoing assignments *AND* due dates.

### ➤ Grading



Overall grades are based on work quality. The online grade is updated after work is graded. Work turned in late is not graded until time is available. Students can check with me to discuss grades. Comments on report cards will reflect responsibility, respect, resourcefulness, and improvement and/or progress towards these expectations.

There are 3 major categories included in the grade. They are:

- Daily Work/Homework (formative and summative)
- Tests/Quizzes (summative)
- Quarter Project(s) (formative and/or summative)

#### Late work:

- "0" for missing work
- 10% reduction of grade if work is handed in late on the same day it is due.
- 25% reduction of grade for late work handed in after date due.
- After unit completion, late work is not accepted or has a 50% grade reduction at teacher discretion.
- Students and parents can check grades on our online grading system.

Make-up Work: The student is responsible for getting assignments and arranging for make up tests and quizzes. If there is a planned absence, like an appointment or vacation, meet with me in advance to plan ahead. If there is an unexpected absence (i.e. illness, family emergency), meet with me **on the day you return to school**. We will discuss what was missed and create modified due dates to complete missed work. If student forgets, avoids, or delays this meeting, late penalties will be applied.

If you know time will be missed or you will be unable to complete work, discuss this with me in advance to request an extension. If there is an emergency or unsolvable problem, be sure to tell me that this was the reason your work was late, so I can be fair in assessing your work.

### ➤ Cheating

Cheating will result in a zero on the assignment and may require further

consequences with school and/or at home.

➤ Extra Help

I am available for extra help during my prep times and by appointment.

**Tardies:**

➤ Tardy if not in assigned seat with required materials when class begins. Unexcused tardy = a violation.

**Course Overview:**

Grade seven Social Studies increases students global awareness and promotes understanding of diverse peoples of the world. The curriculum begins with an overview of geographic concepts and terms and then utilizes various overarching themes to help students study world geography and history while learning regional geographies. Students will study current events throughout the year. We will also have map quizzes in many units. Expect at least one project per trimester. Project instructions will be handed out with each individual project. Projects may include creating an iMovie, writing papers, completing service work, giving presentations, or completing a detailed displays about topics related to areas of study.

**World Geography and History Unit Outline** Theme Focus (*Regional Geographic Focus*):

**Unit 1** Stewardship of Natural and Human Resources (*Physical and Human Geography*)

Remaining unit order will be set as the year progresses, but will likely include these topics:

- North America (*Cause and Effect*)
- Africa (*Survival Issues and Future Alternatives*) (*Storytelling*)
- South America (*Independence and Interdependence*)
- Asia (*Moral, Ethical, and Spiritual Behavior*)
- The Middle East (*Peace and Conflict*)
- Europe (*Human Rights*)

**Additional Information:**

Other information needed for a successful semester includes the following:

- World Geography & History is a required core curriculum course that is necessary for graduation.
- Listening, reading, participating, and taking good notes are key skills necessary for success in this class.
- I am available for student help.
- Please contact me with any concerns and questions at 663-4100 or [quincey@edgewoodk8.com](mailto:quincey@edgewoodk8.com).

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