

## World History

World History explores the people, events, and ideas that have shaped history from the beginnings of human society to the present day.

As you read the lessons in this course, keep these enduring understandings in mind:

- World History is the story of the interaction between people, the environment, and ideas that form cultures, societies, and civilizations.
- World History is the story of human choices that link the past to the present and influence the future.
- Individuals, cultures, societies, and the world change through times of conflict and cooperation.
- Historical patterns are identified across times, places, ideas, institutions, cultures, people, and events.
- From the past to the present, events and trends on the local, national, and global sphere are interrelated.
- People have different views of history depending on their perspective.

Goals for this course include:

- Identify the characteristics of early human communities.
- Describe the early river valley civilizations in Mesopotamia, Egypt, India, and China.
- Describe the emergence of empires.
- Explain the effects of the European exploration and colonization of the New World.
- Identify the causes and outcomes of the political revolutions in France, Russia, and China.
- Identify the characteristics of the Industrial Revolution.
- Describe European Imperialism in Asia and Africa.
- Compare and contrast the causes and results of the World Wars.
- Understand the major events of the Cold War.
- Describe the major issues affecting nations today, including globalization, population growth, pandemics, and immigration.
- Summarize the history and growth of the major religions.
- Identify patterns of trade and migration across the major eras of human history.

Unit 1: The Beginnings of Human Society	
Assignments	
World History	1. Course Overview
	2. Studying History
	3. Historical Fields and Methods
	4. Analyzing and Using Media*
	5. Study Methods of History
	6. Perspectives of History
	7. Analyzing Documents*
	8. Project: Point of View
	9. Quiz: Introduction to History
	10. Reconstructing Early Hominid Development
	11. Rewards from Refuse
	12. Humans Migrate and Adapt
	13. Populating Regions of the Earth
	14. Quiz: Peopling of the Earth
	15. Establishing Agricultural Communities
	16. Developing Agricultural Societies
	17. Quiz: Life Centered on Agriculture
	18. Special Project*
	19. Review
	20. Test: The Beginnings of Human Society
	21. Alternate Test: The Beginnings of Human Society*
	22. Glossary and Credits

Unit 2: Early River Valley Civilizations	
Assignments	
World History	1. Getting Civilized
	2. Emerging River Valley Civilizations
	3. Inventing Writing
	4. Trading Commerce and Culture
	5. Quiz: Early River Valley Civilizations
	6. Developing Chinese Civilizations
	7. New Centers of Agrarian Societies
	8. Quiz: Rising Agrarian Societies
	9. People of Pastoral Societies
	10. Emergence of New Kingdoms
11. Mycenaean Civilization	
12. An Adventure in Moving	
13. Getting Civilized: Revisited	
14. Project: Cultural Exchange	
15. Quiz: Pastoral People and Population Movement	
16. Special Project*	
17. Review	
18. Test: Early River Valley Civilizations	
19. Alternate Test: Early River Valley Civilizations*	
20. Glossary and Credits	

Unit 3: Classical Traditions, Major Religions, and Giant Empires	
Assignments	
World History	1. Egyptian and Kush Societies
	2. Spread of Judaism
	3. Iron, Innovation, and Interaction
	4. Quiz: Times are Changing
	5. Legacy of Athens
	6. Greek Cultural Achievements
	7. Cultural Influence of the Hellenic Period
	8. Persian Civilization
	9. Quiz: Classical Greece
	10. All Roads Lead to Rome
	11. Emergence of Christianity
12. Building Religions and Empires	
13. Compare the Greek and Roman Societies	
14. Project: Legal Traditions	
15. Quiz: Emergence of Major Religions and Empires	
16. Special Project*	
17. Review	
18. Test: Classical Traditions, Major Religions, and Giant Empires	
19. Alternate Test: Classical Traditions, Major Religions, and Giant Empires*	
20. Glossary and Credits	

Unit 4: Expanding Zones of Exchange and Encounter	
Assignments	
World History	1. Fall of the Roman and Han Empires
	2. Gupta Empire of India
	3. Religious Exchange and Encounter
	4. Quiz: Expanding Empires and Religions
	5. Conflict and Change in the Middle East
	6. Changing Religious Landscape of Europe
	7. The Tang Dynasty
	8. Quiz: Encountering Islamic and Byzantine Civilizations
	9. Traveling Africa With the Bantus
	10. Classical Mesoamerican Cities and Civilizations
11. Migration and Oceania	
12. Project: Folk Tales	
13. Quiz: Sharing and Imposing Cultures	
14. Special Project*	
15. Review	
16. Test: Expanding Zones of Exchange and Encounter	
17. Alternate Test: Expanding Zones of Exchange and Encounter*	
18. Glossary and Credits	

Unit 5: Intensified Hemispheric Interactions, A.D. 1000-1500		
Assignments		
World History	1. China's Expansion	14. Quiz: Expanding States and Empires
	2. Japanese and Southeast Asian Cultures	15. Crisis of the Black Death
	3. European Monarchies and City-States	16. Project: Planning for a Crisis
	4. Patterns of European Cultural Changes	17. Europe's Uprisings
	5. Quiz: China and Europe: Two Centers of Growth	18. Quiz: Patterns of Crisis and Recovery
	6. Rise of the Mongol Empire	19. Special Project*
	7. The Mongols' Mark on Global History	20. Review
	8. Aftermath of Mongol Dominance	21. Test: Intensified Hemispheric Interactions, A.D. 1000-1500
	9. Quiz: Age of the Mongol Empire	22. Alternate Test: Intensified Hemispheric Interactions, A.D. 1000-1500*
	10. Long Reach of Islam	23. Glossary and Credits
	11. Religious Reforms and Rising Empires	
	12. Rise of Imperial States in Sub-Saharan Africa	
	13. Expanding America's Empires	

  

Unit 6: Semester Review and Exam		
Assignments		
World History	1. Review: World History Semester I	3. Alternate Exam: World History Semester I - Form A*
	2. Exam: World History Semester I	4. Alternate Exam: World History Semester I - Form B*

  

Unit 7: Global Expansion and Encounter		
Assignments		
World History	1. Portuguese Influence	12. The Mughal Empire
	2. Spanish Influence at Home and Abroad	13. Two Great Middle East Empires: Ottoman and Safavid
	3. Economic Transformation	14. Late Chinese Dynasties
	4. Encounter and Expansion in Africa	15. Quiz: Empires of Eurasia
	5. Quiz: Regional and Global Transformations	16. Special Project*
	6. The Renaissance	17. Review
	7. European Political Transformation	18. Test: Expanding Zones of Exchange and Encounter
	8. The Protestant Reformation	19. Alternate Test: Expanding Zones of Exchange and Encounter*
	9. Project: Christianity, Individualism, and Secularism	20. Glossary and Credits
	10. Political, Social, and Economic Factors of the European World View	
	11. Quiz: Transformation of European Society	

  

Unit 8: The Age of Revolutions, 1750-1914		
Assignments		
World History	1. Latin American Revolutions	13. China
	2. The French Revolution	14. Japan
	3. Russia	15. New Imperialism in Africa
	4. Revolutions of 1848	16. Project: Impact of American and French Revolutions
	5. Quiz: Democratic Revolutions and Ideologies	17. Quiz: European Dominance
	6. Industrialization in England	18. Special Project*
	7. Slavery and Abolition	19. Review
	8. Ideology and Reforms in the Industrial Age	20. Test: The Age of Revolutions, 1750-1914
	9. Social and Political Reform	21. Alternate Test: The Age of Revolutions, 1750-1914*
	10. Quiz: The Industrial Revolution	22. Glossary and Credits
	11. European Immigration	
	12. New Imperialism in Asia	

Unit 9: A Half Century of Crisis and Achievement, 1900-1945		
Assignments		
World History	1. Revolting in Russia	14. Chinese Transformations of the 1920s-1930s
	2. World War I	15. Cultural Movement and Change
	3. Influential Thinkers: Einstein, Freud, and Picasso	16. Project: Poetry Explication and Recitation
	4. Causes of World War II	17. Global Trends to World War II
	5. Project: Change the World	18. Quiz: Search for Stability and Social Change
	6. Holocaust of World War II	19. Special Project*
	7. Consequences of the World Wars	20. Review
	8. Quiz: Thirty Years in the Twentieth Century	21. Test: A Half Century of Crisis and Achievement, 1900-1945
	9. South African War	22. Alternate Test: A Half Century of Crisis and Achievement, 1900-1945*
	10. Reforms in the Ottoman Empire	23. Glossary and Credits
	11. China's Revolutions	
	12. India's Struggle for Independence	
	13. Quiz: Wars, Revolutions, and Reforms	

Unit 10: The 20th Century since 1945: Promises and Paradoxes		
Assignments		
World History	1. Political Effects of World War II	13. Project: Women in History
	2. Postwar Reconstruction	14. Fundamentalism and Terrorism
	3. The United Nations	15. Global Economics
	4. The Cold War	16. Information and Technological Revolution
	5. Project: Cold War	17. Quiz: Promises and Paradoxes
	6. Quiz: Post War Effects	18. Special Project*
	7. Nationalism and Asia	19. Review
	8. The "Scramble for Africa" and Independence	20. Test: The 20th Century Since 1945: Promises and Paradoxes
	9. Nationalism in Eastern Europe	21. Alternate Test: The 20th Century Since 1945: Promises and Paradoxes*
	10. Project: Government Violence	22. Glossary and Credits
	11. Quiz: Global Nationalism	
	12. Changes in Contemporary Society	

Unit 11: Early River Valley Civilizations		
Assignments		
World History	1. Four Turning Points	12. Quiz: Recurring Patterns
	2. Impact of the Scientific Revolution	13. Comparative Economic Systems
	3. Project: Scientists and Inventors	14. The History of Capitalism
	4. Project: U.S. Population	15. Quiz: Economic Systems
	5. Changing World Population	16. Special Project*
	6. Pandemics of the World	17. Review
	7. Quiz: Turning Points in Human History	18. Test: The Turning Points in Human History
	8. European Dominance	19. Alternate Test: The Turning Points in Human History*
	9. Political Revolutions	20. Glossary and Credits
	10. Project: Citizenship	
	11. Nation-States	

World History	<b>Unit 12: Semester Review and Exam</b>	
	<b>Assignments</b>	
	1. Review: World History Semester II	3. Alternate Exam: World History Semester II - Form A*
	2. Exam: World History Semester II	4. Alternate Exam: World History Semester II - Form B*
World History	<b>Unit 13: Final Exam</b>	
	<b>Assignments</b>	
	1. Exam: World History	3. Alternate Exam: World History - Form B*
	2. Alternate Exam: World History - Form A*	