

Expectations and Outcomes

Grade Level/Course: Seventh Grade

Content Area: Social Studies

Unit Title	Guarantees
Geography Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 Themes of Geography • Map / Globe Skills review
Canada	<p>The First Canadians – prehistory, history, artifacts, archeology</p> <p>European Exploration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -The Northwest Passage <p>Settlements & Colonies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -New France <p>“The Middle Ground”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -The Fur trade <p>The French and Indian War -Causes & consequences</p> <p>Westward expansion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Transcontinental railroad -Klondike Gold rush
Latin America	<p>Ancient Civilizations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Mayas, Aztecs, The Incas <p>European Conquest</p> <p>Independence movement</p> <p>Cultures of Latin America</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -“Day of the Dead” - “Carnival in Rio” <p>Mexico & Central America:</p> <p>Mexico</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Alamo • Manifest Destiny - Mexican-American War

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	<p>Modern Issues for Mexico:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Urbanization • Border issues • Immigration issues <p>The Caribbean:</p> <p>Geography</p> <p>-Island formation</p> <p>2)Cuba</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Missile Crisis - The Cold War - The lasting effects of Castro - Cuban Exiles <p>3)Haiti</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Struggle for democracy -A country in need. <p>4)Puerto Rico</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -An American commonwealth <p>5) Triangle Trade</p>
South America	<p>Geography of South America</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Brazilian Culture -Carnival in Rio -Poverty in South America <p>“The Devil’s Miner” documentary</p>
Africa	<p>Africa: Physical geography</p> <p>Africa: Shaped by its history</p> <p>1)Review of African Beginnings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bantu Migrations <p>2)Review of Kingdoms, City-states, and Empires</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gold, Salt, Ivory trade <p>3)European Conquest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Slave trade -Scramble for Africa <p>4)Independence & its Challenges</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Growth of Nationalism -Africa & WWII Issues for Africa Today -Economic issues (farming, mining) Social Issues (Education, Health, Disease) The Environment (desertification) African Culture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Religion and Culture - Family Ties - Traditions - Languages - Diversity North African countries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Muslim beliefs -Islamic law (The Five Pillars of Islam) -The Sahara West African countries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Kinship and customs -Conflict diamonds -Effects of British control -Desert living -Desertification (The Sahel) East African countries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Civil War -Famine -Genocide -Somali Pirates Central & Southern African countries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -European influence

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">-European ethnic groups-Economic & Political challenges- Apartheid's Legacy (Nelson Mandela)