Social Science - Grade 8

4th Nine Weeks: Scope and Sequence

Content Standards	Dates Taught	% of Students scoring over 70%	Dates Re-taught (Optional)	Formative and Summative Assessments/ (Any Additional Comments Optional)
(10) Trace the development of the early Russian state and the expansion of its trade systems.				
Examples: rise of Kiev and Muscovy, conversion to Orthodox Christianity, movement of peoples of Central Asia, Mongol conquest, rise of czars				
(11) Describe early Islamic civilizations, including the development of religious, social, and political systems.				
 Tracing the spread of Islamic ideas through invasion and conquest throughout the Middle East, northern Africa, and western Europe 				
(12) Describe China's influence on culture, politics, and economics in Japan, Korea, and Southeast Asia.				
Examples: culture—describing the influence on art, architecture, language, and religion				
politics—describing changes in civil service economics—introducing patterns of trade				
(13) Compare the African civilizations of Ghana, Mali, and Songhai to include geography, religions, slave trade, economic systems, empires, and cultures.				
Tracing the spread of language, religion, and customs from one African civilization to another				

 Illustrating the impact of trade among Ghana, Mali, and Songhai 		
Examples: using map symbols, interpreting distribution maps, creating a timeline		
(14) Describe key aspects of pre-Columbian cultures in the Americas including the Olmecs, Mayas, Aztecs, Incas, and North American tribes.		
Examples: pyramids, wars among pre-Columbian people, religious rituals, irrigation, Iroquois Confederacy		
• Locating on a map sites of pre-Columbian cultures		
Examples: Maya, Inca, Inuit, Creek, Cherokee		
(15) Describe military and governmental events that shaped Europe in the early Middle Ages (600-1000 A.D.).		
Examples: invasions, military leaders		
 Describing the role of the early medieval church Describing the impact of new agricultural methods on manorialism and feudalism 		
(16) Describe major cultural changes in Western Europe in the High Middle Ages.		
Examples: the Church, scholasticism, the Crusades		
 Describing changing roles of church and governmental leadership Comparing political developments in France, England, and the Holy Roman Empire, including the signing of the Magna Carta Describing the growth of trade and towns resulting in the 		
rise of the middle class		

(17) Explain how events and conditions fostered political and economic changes in the late Middle Ages and led to the origins of the Renaissance.		
Examples: the Crusades, Hundred Years' War, Black Death, rise of the middle class, commercial prosperity		
Identifying changes in the arts, architecture, literature, and science in the late Middle Ages (1300-1400 A.D.)		