



Social Studies 6

Course Outline

Course Layout: The course is broken down into units and organized using the Big Ideas as follows:

Introductory Unit – Mapping Skills
Big Idea #1 – Systems of Government - Systems of government vary in their respect for human rights and freedoms.
Big Idea #2 – Social Responsibility – Conflicts - People and Government - Economic self-interest can be a significant cause of conflict among peoples and governments.
Big Idea #3 – Thinking Globally - Global Issues and International Cooperation – Complex global problems require international cooperation to make difficult choices for the future.
Big Idea #4 – Media – Media sources can both positively and negatively affect our understanding of important events and issues.

Grading: Your grade for this course will be calculated as follows:

Item	Weight
Learning Guides	10%
Section Assignments and Testss	60%
Unit Projects	30%

Learning Guides: In the process of learning, you will be given opportunities to practise, make mistakes, and learn. These opportunities will be in your Learning Guide. Your home facilitator may help you and ask you to correct or expand on items in your Learning Guide. Always put your best effort into your *Learning Guide*; it will be marked on a rubric based on **Completeness**.

Resources: There is NO textbook required for this course.

Key to Success: Set a schedule so that you are working on social studies consistently. There should be no big gaps with the hope of catching up. This is VERY important! Sticking to a schedule is key for doing well.