UNIT ONE: Europe During Medieval Times - Essential Questions

- To what extent have the contributions of ancient Rome influenced modern society?
- How well did feudalism establish order in Europe in the Middle Ages?
- How influential was the Roman Catholic Church in medieval Europe?
- What was life like in medieval European towns?
- How did events in Europe contribute to the decline of feudalism and the rise of democratic thought?
- How did the Byzantine Empire develop and form its own distinctive church?

Key Terms

mural    manor    rhetoric    Bubonic plague
mosaic   devine right theology Magna carta
fresco   noble    natural law habeas corpus
vault    chivalry  monasticism crossbow
dome    monastery  religious order longbow
cathedral monk    friar heretic
aqueduct excommunicate  gadil  patriarch
proverb  sacrament  apprentice schism
philosophy pilgrimage  journeyman
barbarian  relic    charter
fief     convent    commerce

Review these main ideas…

Cp1: Describe the contributions the Roman Empire made in the following areas: art, architecture and engineering, language and writing, philosophy, and law?

Cp1: Evaluate the relative extent to which the contributions of the Roman Empire influence society today.

Cp2: Explain why and how feudalism developed in western Europe? What two challenges did people face after the collapse of the Roman Empire?

Cp2: Explain how feudalism worked in medieval Europe?

Cp3: Evaluate the extent to which the Roman Catholic Church influenced life in medieval Europe.

Cp4: Explain what factors led to the growth of towns during the High Middle Ages? What problems the townspeople faced and how they dealt with those problems.

Cp5: Identify Magna Carta – Bubonic Plague – Hundred Years War…

Cp6: Describe the disagreements that led to conflict between medieval Europe and the Byzantine Empire.

Cp6: Explain what ultimately led to the permanent division between the Eastern Orthodox Church and the Roman Catholic Church?
UNIT TWO: The Rise of Islam - Essential Questions

- How did Islam originate and spread?
- How do the beliefs and practices of Islam shape Muslims' lives?
- What important innovations and adaptations did medieval Muslims make?
- How did the Crusades affect the lives of Christians, Muslims, and Jews?

Key Terms

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Cp7: Analyze the origins of Islam and the life and teachings of Muhammad – lifeline of Muhammad.

Cp8: Identify key beliefs and practices of Islam – including the five pillars of faith, jihad and the role of shari’ah.

Cp9: Describe Muslim adaptations and innovations in learning and scholarship, science and technology, geography and navigation, mathematics, medicine, the arts, and recreation.

Cp10: Explain the causes and course of the religious crusades and their effects on Christian, Muslim, and Jewish populations.

Cp10: Describe the larger effects and aftermath of the crusades, including the Reconquista and the rise of the Ottoman Turks.
UNIT THREE: The Culture and Kingdoms of West Africa - Essential Questions

- What was the most significant factor in the development of early societies in West Africa?
- To what extent did trans-Saharan trade lead to Ghana's wealth and success?
- In what ways did Islam influence West African society?
- In what ways do the cultural achievements of West Africa influence our culture today?

Key Terms

- extended family
- deposit
- genealogy
- terra-cotta
- excavate
- succession
- oral traditions
- applique
- tribute
- patrilineal
- folktale
- matrilineal
- scaffolding
- proverbs
- porter
- textiles
- call and response

Review these main ideas…

Cp11: Describe the relationship between the Niger River, trade, and growth of settlements in West Africa.

Cp11: Distinguish between the vegetation zones of forest, savanna, Sahel, and desert.

Cp12: Explain how trade in gold and salt led to the growth of Ghana and Mali.

Cp12: Evaluate how trans-Saharan trade affected different groups in West African, both culturally and religiously.

Cp13: Discuss the role of trans-Saharan trade in spreading Islam in West Africa.

Cp14: Describe the importance of written and oral traditions in the transmission of African history and culture.

Cp14: Explain how African cultural achievements of the past continue to shape the world today.
UNIT FOUR: Civilizations of the Americas - Essential Questions

- What led to the rise, flourishing, and fall of the Mayan civilization?
- How did the Aztecs rise to power?
- What was daily life like for Aztecs in Tenochtitlán?
- How did the Incas manage their large and diverse empire?
- What were the significant achievements of the Mayas, Aztecs, and Incas?

Key Terms

- mesoamerica
- hieroglyphic
- social pyramid
- ritual
- coming-of-age ceremony
- sacrifice
- pok-a-tok
- slash and burn
- tribute
- semidivine
- hereditary
- polygamy
- dowry
- maize
- ayllu
- communal

Review these main ideas...

Cp23: Analyze important aspects of Mayan culture, including class structure and slavery, warfare, family life, religious practices, and agricultural techniques.

Cp24: Describe the beginnings of the Aztecs, how they arrived and survived in the Valley of Mexico, and the legend of their empire’s beginnings.

Cp25: Research the daily lives of the Aztecs, including marriage, family life, food, markets, religious practices, and recreation.

Cp26: Analyze various aspects of Incan civilization and culture, including class structure, family life, religion, and warfare.

Cp27: Explain the significance of the achievements of the Mayas, Aztecs, and Incas in the areas of science and technology, arts and architecture, and language and writing.