## Curriculum

<u>Class</u>: Grade Eight <u>Cycle</u>: Third

**Subject**: Social studies **Textbook**: Southwest and Central Asia

Domains	Lessons	Learning Outcomes & Competencies
Reading (Themes)  • History of the Fertile Crescent  • Judaism and Christianity  • The Byzantine Empire  • History of the Islamic world  • The Eastern Mediterranean  • The Arabian Peninsula	<ul> <li>Geography of the Fertile Crescent</li> <li>The Rise of Sumer</li> <li>Sumerian Achievement</li> <li>Laten people of Fertile Crescent</li> <li>Origins of Judaism</li> <li>Origins of Christianity</li> <li>Origins of Islam</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Drawing conclusions about ancient cultures</li> <li>Understanding causes and effects</li> <li>Using maps</li> <li>Reading graphic organizers to understand concepts</li> <li>Understanding terms</li> <li>Paraphrasing paragraphs for a better understanding</li> </ul>

Domain	Lessons Learning Outcomes & Competencies			
Grammar				
	Islamic Beliefs and Practices	<ul><li> Critical thinking</li><li> Recalling different concepts</li></ul>		
	Muslim Empires			
	Cultural Achievement	Generalizing		
	<ul> <li>Physical Geography</li> <li>Comparing and contrasting religions</li> </ul>			
	Turkey	Defining terms		
	Syria, Lebanon and Jordan	Finding main ideas		
	The Arabian Peninsula	Analyzing different views		
	• Iraq	Linking to today		
	• Iran	Setting a purpose		
	Physical Geography			
	History and Culture			

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Writing		