

**10<sup>th</sup> Grade Modern World History  
Course Description**

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This course is intended as a counter-balance to Modern World History I (MW1) and the focus of this course are the histories of Asia, Africa, and South America. This course will cover the same time periods as MW1. An emphasis of this course will be to compare and contrast the different regions of study to each other and to Europe. Each student will think about, write about, and talk about different, events, people, and ideas that have changed the world. This course is intended to expose students to many ideas, cultures, people and events from non-Western History. Students should learn how through economic, political, social and religious exchange Europe and the rest of the world have influenced each other.

First Trimester	Second Trimester	Third Trimester
<b>Online Textbook:</b> <i>History Alive! World Connections</i> (TCI)		
<b>Unit 1: Neolithic Era and Early Empires</b>	<b>Unit 7: Empires Outside of Europe</b>	<b>Unit 11: World at War</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Africa: Out of Africa Theory, Egyptian River Valley Civilization</li> <li>-Asia: Mesopotamian River Valley Civilization</li> <li>-South America: Migration Theories</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Mughal India</li> <li>-Ming and Qing China</li> <li>-Tokugawa Japan</li> <li>-Russian Empire</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Russo Japanese War</li> <li>-WW1</li> <li>-The Ottoman Front</li> <li>-WW2</li> <li>-Japan Invades Manchuria</li> <li>-The Pacific Theater</li> </ul>
<b>Unit 2: World Religions and Philosophies</b>	<b>Unit 8: The Columbian Exchange and Colonialism</b>	<b>Unit 12: Post War Independence movements and Revolutions</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Abrahamic Religions</li> <li>-Hinduism &amp; Buddhism</li> <li>-Confucianism &amp; Taoism</li> <li>-Paganism</li> <li>-Impact of World Religions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-A Global World</li> <li>-Atlantic Empires</li> <li>-Conquistadors</li> <li>-Bartholomew de Las Casas</li> <li>-Columbian Exchange</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-China</li> <li>-Africa</li> <li>-India</li> </ul>
<b>Unit 3: Fall of Roman Empire and Rise of Byzantine Empire</b>	<b>Unit 9: Revolutions</b>	<b>Unit 13: Cold War and the Third World</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-The relocation of Rome to Constantinople</li> <li>-Justinian's Code of Laws</li> <li>-Eastern Orthodox Church</li> <li>-East v West conflict</li> <li>-Crusades</li> <li>-Byzantine Rivals</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Latin America</li> <li>-East Asia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Challenges to Poor Nations</li> <li>-Conflict in Latin America</li> <li>-Wars in Indochina</li> <li>-Upheaval in Africa</li> <li>-Russian Invasion of Afghanistan</li> </ul>

<b>Unit 4: Imperial China</b>	<b>Unit 10: Impact of Imperialism</b>	<b>Unit 14: Post Cold War Issues</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Government of Imperial China</li> <li>-The Tang Dynasty</li> <li>-The Song Dynasty</li> <li>-Rule By the Mongols</li> <li>-Silk Road</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-New Imperialism</li> <li>-Colonies and Spheres of influence in Asia</li> <li>-Partition of Africa</li> <li>-Western Influence of Latin America</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-The Developing World</li> <li>-BRICS</li> <li>-Chaos in the Middle East</li> <li>-Crisis and Migration</li> </ul>
<p><b>Unit 5: Ancient Ghana</b></p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Ghana's Government and Military</li> <li>-A Trading Empire</li> <li>-Gold-Salt Trade</li> <li>-Exchange of Goods</li> <li>-Decline of Ghana and Rise of Mali</li> </ul>		
<p><b>Unit 6: South American Cultures</b></p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Olmec</li> <li>-Maya</li> <li>-Inca</li> <li>-Aztec</li> </ul>		