World History Course Outline

Course Description

This history course provides an overview of world history from pre-historic times to the modern era.

Students will gain a broad understanding of the people, events, places and technologies that have shaped and influenced human history.

In addition to improving their knowledge of world history, students will learn new English vocabulary, discuss topics and themes in English, and argue their opinion in English.

Learning Outcomes

- Students will understand the role of geography in shaping human societies and history.
- Students will understand how technology has influenced human history.
- Students will learn how to draw connections between the forces that have influenced events.
- Students will learn how to argue and defend their ideas with evidence.

Course Content

- Geography: physical geography of the Earth
- Geography: human and cultural geography
- Geography: the eight regions of the Earth
- World history: from the earliest humans to the Middle Ages to World War I
- Weekly and monthly quizzes based on course material
 - The weekly quizzes will be multiple choice
 - The monthly quizzes will be short essay questions
- Two group presentations
 - the class will be divided into five or six groups
 - each group will research a topic *not* covered in the course materials
 - each group will present their research to the class
 - the teacher will supply the topics and questions to be answered

Grading Criteria

| Weekly quizzes | 20% |
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| Monthly quizzes | 20% |
| Mid-term Exam | 20% |
| Two presentations | 10% |
| In-class work | 10% |
| Final Exam | 20% |