

**COURSE OVERVIEW**

World History continues the process of developing in students an understanding of and appreciation for God’s activity as seen in the record of man and his relationships. With an emphasis on Western Europe, the course surveys ancient civilizations to the end of the 20th century, highlighting early Christianity (through the Reformation) and the two World Wars. These areas of focus target three major content strands: History, Geography, and Social Studies Skills.

Upon completion of the course, students should be able to do the following:

- Understand Western civilization from its beginnings to the present day.
- Understand the significant political and economic transformations and significant cultural and scientific events in Europe during the Renaissance.
- Understand significant religious and societal issues from the Renaissance through the Reformation.
- Understand the significant social and political developments in Europe and America brought on by the English, American, and French Revolutions.
- Understand the effects of the Industrial Revolution.
- Analyze major historical and political events of the 20th century, including the two World Wars, the Cold War, and the Vietnam War.

Additionally, students will gain practice in report-writing, covering topics like the rise of Christianity, the U.S. Constitution, communism versus free enterprise, the United Nations, and more.

| UNIT 1: ANCIENT CIVILIZATIONS I         |   |   |
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| <b>WORLD HISTORY</b>                    | <b>Assignment Titles</b>                      |   |
|   | 1. Course Overview                            | 12. Babylonian and Assyrian Civilization          |
|   | 2. Elements of Civilization                   | 13. Assyrian History                              |
|   | 3. Origin of Man                              | 14. Neo-Babylonian Empire                         |
|   | 4. Fall of Man and Flood From God             | 15. Quiz 3: Assyrian and Babylonian Civilizations |
|   | 5. Origin of Civilization                     | 16. Persian Civilization                          |
|   | 6. Origin of Nations                          | 17. Quiz 4: Ancient Civilizations                 |
|   | 7. Quiz 1: Meaning and Origin of Civilization | 18. Special Project*                              |
|   | 8. Early Egyptian Geography and History       | 19. Test: Ancient Civilizations I                 |
|   | 9. Early Egyptian Empire                      | 20. Alternate Test: Ancient Civilizations I*      |
|   | 10. Early Egyptian Civilization               | 21. Glossary and Credits                          |
| 11. Quiz 2: Early Egyptian Civilization |   |   |

| UNIT 2: ANCIENT CIVILIZATIONS II    |                                   |   |
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| <b>WORLD HISTORY</b>                | <b>Assignment Titles</b>          |   |
|                                     | 1. The Eastern World: India       | 11. Rome: The Empire                          |
|                                     | 2. The Eastern World: China       | 12. Rome: Decline of the Empire               |
|                                     | 3. Quiz 1: India and China        | 13. Christianity and the Roman Empire         |
|                                     | 4. Greece: Geography and History  | 14. Report: The Rise of Christianity          |
|                                     | 5. Greece: Dark Ages              | 15. Quiz 3: The Roman Empire                  |
|                                     | 6. Greece: 550-405 B.C.           | 16. Special Project*                          |
|                                     | 7. Greece: 359-31 B.C.            | 17. Test: Ancient Civilizations II            |
|                                     | 8. Greece: Culture                | 18. Alternate Test: Ancient Civilizations II* |
|                                     | 9. Quiz 2: The Greek Civilization | 19. Glossary and Credits                      |
| 10. Rome: Pre-Republic and Republic |                                   |   |

| UNIT 3: THE MEDIEVAL WORLD |  |
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| WORLD HISTORY              | <b>Assignment Titles</b>   |
|                            | 1. The Middle Ages: An Introduction                              |
|                            | 2. Early Middle Ages   |
|                            | 3. Quiz 1: The Early Middle Ages                                 |
|                            | 4. Transition: The Continent and New Invasions                   |
|                            | 5. Transition: England, the Church, and the Growth of Islam      |
|                            | 6. Quiz 2: The Middle Ages in Transition                         |
|                            | 7. High Middle Ages: Setting                                     |
|                            | 8. High Middle Ages: Monarchies and the Church                   |
|                            | 9. High Middle Ages: The Byzantine Empire and Other World Powers |
|                            | 10. Quiz 3: The High Middle Ages                                 |
|                            | 11. Special Project  |
|                            | 12. Test: The Medieval World                                     |
|                            | 13. Alternate Test: The Medieval World                           |
| 14. Glossary and Credits   |  |

| UNIT 4: RENAISSANCE AND REFORMATION |   |
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| WORLD HISTORY                       | <b>Assignment Titles</b>                              |
|                                     | 1. Renaissance Government: France and England         |
|                                     | 2. Renaissance Government: Italy and Spain            |
|                                     | 3. Developments in Art                                |
|                                     | 4. Changes in Literature and Thought                  |
|                                     | 5. Advances in Science                                |
|                                     | 6. Quiz 1: The Renaissance                            |
|                                     | 7. The Reformation: Wycliffe, Huss, and Luther        |
|                                     | 8. The Reformation: Zwingli, Grebel, Calvin, and Knox |
|                                     | 9. England: Henry VIII and Edward VI                  |
|                                     | 10. England: Mary I and Elizabeth I                   |
|                                     | 11. Reform Within the Catholic Church                 |
|                                     | 12. Wars of Religion                                  |
|                                     | 13. Quiz 2: The Reformation                           |
|                                     | 14. Special Project*                                  |
|                                     | 15. Test: Renaissance and Reformation                 |
|                                     | 16. Alternate Test: Renaissance and Reformation*      |
| 17. Glossary and Credits            |   |

| UNIT 5: GROWTH OF WORLD EMPIRES              |   |
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| WORLD HISTORY                                | <b>Assignment Titles</b>                                    |
|  | 1. Absolutism in England: 16-17th Centuries                 |
|  | 2. Absolutism in England: 17th Century                      |
|  | 3. Absolutism in France                                     |
|  | 4. Report: Versailles                                       |
|  | 5. English Mercantilism                                     |
|  | 6. French Mercantilism and Colonial Rivalry                 |
|  | 7. Quiz 1: England and France                               |
|  | 8. Portugal   |
|  | 9. Spain  |
|  | 10. Quiz 2: Portugal and Spain                              |
|  | 11. Austria, Germany, and Italy                             |
|  | 12. Report: Prussia*  |
|  | 13. The Ottoman Empire                                      |
|  | 14. Quiz 3: Austria, Germany, Italy, and the Ottoman Empire |
|  | 15. Special Project*  |
|  | 16. Test: Growth of World Empires                           |
| 17. Alternate Test: Growth of World Empires* |   |
| 18. Glossary and Credits                     |   |

| UNIT 6: THE AGE OF REVOLUTION |  |
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| WORLD HISTORY                 | <b>Assignment Titles</b>                         |
|                               | 1. English Revolution: Divine Right (Cavaliers)  |
|                               | 2. English Revolution: Divine Right (Roundheads) |
|                               | 3. English Revolution: People's Choice           |
|                               | 4. Quiz 1: English Revolution                    |
|                               | 5. American Revolution: British Background       |
|                               | 6. Report: Boston Tea Party*                     |
|                               | 7. American Revolution: American Frontier        |
|                               | 8. Report: 1770s Colonist*                       |
|                               | 9. Report: Constitution                          |
|                               | 10. Quiz 2: American Revolution                  |
|                               | 11. French Revolution: Old Regime                |
|                               | 12. French Revolution: New Leadership            |
|                               | 13. Report: Napoleon*                            |
|                               | 14. Report: Napoleon and Modern Society          |
|                               | 15. Quiz 3: French Revolution                    |
|                               | 16. Special Project*                             |
|                               | 17. Test: The Age of Revolution                  |
|                               | 18. Alternate Test: The Age of Revolution*       |
| 19. Glossary and Credits      |  |

| UNIT 7: THE INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION |   |
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| WORLD HISTORY                     | <b>Assignment Titles</b>                                |
|                                   | 1. England: Sparks of Preparation                       |
|                                   | 2. England: Fires of Continuation                       |
|                                   | 3. Quiz 1: Industrial Revolution in England             |
|                                   | 4. United States: Industrial Climate                    |
|                                   | 5. United States: Industrial Progress                   |
|                                   | 6. Report: Industrial Revolution Biography              |
|                                   | 7. Quiz 2: Industrial Revolution in the United States   |
|                                   | 8. Social Changes: Negative Drawbacks                   |
|                                   | 9. Social Changes: Positive Contributions               |
|                                   | 10. Report: Socialism or Free Enterprise                |
|                                   | 11. Quiz 3: Social Changes of the Industrial Revolution |
|                                   | 12. Special Project*                                    |
|                                   | 13. Test: The Industrial Revolution                     |
|                                   | 14. Alternate Test: The Industrial Revolution*          |
| 15. Glossary and Credits          |   |

| UNIT 8: TWO WORLD WARS |                          |  |
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| WORLD HISTORY          | <b>Assignment Titles</b> |  |
|                        | 1.                       | World War I: Mounting Tensions                   |
|                        | 2.                       | World War I: Erupting Conflicts                  |
|                        | 3.                       | World War I: Counter-Aggression                  |
|                        | 4.                       | Quiz 1: World War I                              |
|                        | 5.                       | The Russian Revolution: 1905                     |
|                        | 6.                       | The Russian Revolution: 1917                     |
|                        | 7.                       | Peace Initiative                                 |
|                        | 8.                       | Post-War Attitudes                               |
|                        | 9.                       | Report: Comfort in the Depression*               |
|                        | 10.                      | Power Quests                                     |
|                        | 11.                      | Military Aggression                              |
|                        | 12.                      | Quiz 2: Between the Wars                         |
|                        | 13.                      | World War II: Battle Fronts                      |
|                        | 14.                      | Report: Allied Battle Strategy                   |
|                        | 15.                      | World War II: Battles in the Pacific             |
|                        | 16.                      | Peace Efforts                                    |
|                        | 17.                      | Unification                                      |
|                        | 18.                      | Report: Twentieth Century                        |
|                        | 19.                      | Quiz 3: World War II                             |
|                        | 20.                      | Special Project*                                 |
|                        | 21.                      | Test: A Revolution and Two World Wars            |
|                        | 22.                      | Alternate Test: A Revolution and Two World Wars* |
|                        | 23.                      | Glossary and Credits                             |

| UNIT 9: THE CONTEMPORARY WORLD |                          |   |
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| WORLD HISTORY                  | <b>Assignment Titles</b> |   |
|                                | 1.                       | Origins of the Cold War                   |
|                                | 2.                       | United Nations and the Marshall Plan      |
|                                | 3.                       | Report: The United Nations                |
|                                | 4.                       | The Course of the Cold War                |
|                                | 5.                       | The Vietnam War and Invasions             |
|                                | 6.                       | The End of the Cold War                   |
|                                | 7.                       | Report: The Cold War                      |
|                                | 8.                       | Quiz 1: The Cold War                      |
|                                | 9.                       | North America                             |
|                                | 10.                      | Central America and the Caribbean Islands |
|                                | 11.                      | Report: Central American Governments*     |
|                                |                          | 12.                                       |
|                                | 13.                      | Quiz 2: The Western Hemisphere Today      |
|                                | 14.                      | Europe                                    |
|                                | 15.                      | Africa                                    |
|                                | 16.                      | Asia                                      |
|                                | 17.                      | The Far East and Australia                |
|                                | 18.                      | Quiz 3: The Eastern Hemisphere Today      |
|                                | 19.                      | Special Project*                          |
|                                | 20.                      | Test: The Contemporary World              |
|                                | 21.                      | Alternate Test: The Contemporary World*   |
|                                | 22.                      | Glossary and Credits                      |

| UNIT 10: ANCIENT TIMES TO THE PRESENT |                          |  |   |
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| WORLD HISTORY                         | <b>Assignment Titles</b> |  |   |
|                                       | 1.                       | Ancient Civilizations                            |   |
|                                       | 2.                       | Greeks, Romans, and Other Ancient Cultures       |   |
|                                       | 3.                       | Medieval Times: Invasions and Feudalism          |   |
|                                       | 4.                       | Medieval Culture and the Church                  |   |
|                                       | 5.                       | Quiz 1: Ancient Civilizations and Medieval Times |   |
|                                       | 6.                       | Politics of the Renaissance                      |   |
|                                       | 7.                       | Art and Sciences of the Renaissance              |   |
|                                       | 8.                       | The Reformation                                  |   |
|                                       | 9.                       | Absolutism                                       |   |
|                                       | 10.                      | Exploration                                      |   |
|                                       |                          | 11.  | Quiz 2: The Renaissance and Reformation |
|                                       |                          | 12.  | The Modern World: Revolutions           |
|                                       | 13.                      | The Industrial Revolution                        |   |
|                                       | 14.                      | Two World Wars and Attempts at Peace             |   |
|                                       | 15.                      | Current Events                                   |   |
|                                       | 16.                      | Quiz 3: The Modern World                         |   |
|                                       | 17.                      | Special Project*                                 |   |
|                                       | 18.                      | Test: Ancient Times to the Present               |   |
|                                       | 19.                      | Alternate Test: Ancient Times to the Present*    |   |
|                                       | 20.                      | Glossary and Credits                             |   |

(\*) Indicates alternate assignment