

World History and Geography II A & B

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Course Description

World History and Geography is a new class to MCA. It is primarily a history class that analyzes the events, historical figures, and thought forms of Western Civilization from the Roman Empire to the present day. Its purpose is to offer the students a Christian perspective of who we are as a civilization, how we got here, and more importantly how we can best honor God in such a time as now. There will also be a geography component to the class. This class will demand quite a bit of effort from the students in terms of learning the details (the grammar) of history and geography as well as how those details come together (the logic) to bring us to our current situation. This class will emphasize the truth that "Ideas have consequences" as we look at how history has unfolded. We will also look at the art, music, and philosophy that both resulted from and shaped the flow of history.

Grading

Project Grades will include: major tests, quizzes, papers, group presentations, small research assignments, and short essays. Project Grades will be worth 70% of the total grade.

Participation will be worth 30% of a student's grade and will be based on their involvement in the class, their preparedness (having done their work/read assignment/on time/etc.), and respectfulness of the tutor and their peers.

Supplies

Folder, Paper, and Writing Utensils

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First Assignment

Be ready to label the following on a blank map of the world. There will be **a quiz on the first day and spelling counts!** Also come having read the first 5 paragraphs of How Should We Then Live? and be ready to discuss.

7 Continents

N. America/S. America/Europe/Africa/Asia/Australia/Antarctica

4 Oceans

Pacific/Atlantic/Indian/Arctic

Seas

Mediterranean/North/Baltic/Black/Adriatic/Aegean/Caspian/Red/Sea of Japan

Rivers

Mississippi/Amazon/Nile/Rhine/Danube/Yellow

Mountain Ranges

Rocky/Andes/Alps/Himalayas/Urals

Note for Section A: Because of Monday holidays we will have six less class periods

to complete the same amount of work.