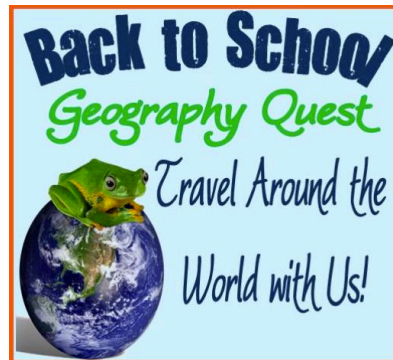


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Unit Road Map: Time and Place Geography Skills

"What's your MAPtitude?!"



DO NOT LOSE THIS PAPER – we will be referring to it throughout our unit.

Planning the Trip: This unit will last **14** days. In this unit we will act as social scientists learning how to ask questions, analyze different kinds of sources, read, analyze and create maps, graphs, and charts. Our trip will begin by learning how to define and explain geographic terms and identify map features, identify locations using coordinates, and differentiate between different types of maps. We will then continue on examining the events of September 11th 2001 and since it is a major election season, we will study charts and graphs as they relate to the 2012 Presidential election! We will end this unit by taking a "roadtrip" through New York City and employing all of the skills that you have learned in this unit to find your way around our city and the globe!

Why Study This? As history scholars it is very important to have strong skills in geography and the social sciences. Geography stimulates a sense of wonder about the world. Geography scholars are better able to make sense of a complex and changing world and their place in it. Knowing geography can inspire you to help shape a better future. By studying geography, you will be able to recognize the responsibilities you have in relation to other people, the environment, and the long-term sustainability of the planet. Lastly, Geography will equip you with skills for the future. Having a strong foundation in geography and the social studies skills will prepare you for future history classes and to successfully pass the US History and Government Regents Exam at the end of 8th grade.

Essential Questions: These are the BIG questions we'll attempt to answer with our readings, activities, and homework assignments over the course of the unit. The essential questions for this unit are:

1. What makes social science social?
2. How do maps tell us how people live?

BIG Ideas: These are BIG ideas that will help us understand the content we are studying during the unit. Our BIG themes for this unit are:

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Vocabulary: These are the important terms you will need to know in order to navigate through this unit, and the world outside the classroom. You will be responsible for transferring these definitions onto your flashcards to be kept with you on a ring for studying. The **bold** word is the vocabulary word that belongs on the **blank** side of the flashcard. The definition belongs on the **lined** side of the flashcard. On the top right of the flashcard color a small corner in **red**. Representing Unit 1.

- 1) **Borough** – one of the five political regions of New York City. These include: The Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens and Staten Island.
- 2) **Cardinal Direction** – the four main points on a compass rose: North, South, East and West
- 3) **City** – a large town. We live in the city of New York (aka New York City)
- 4) **Continent** – one of the great divisions of land on the globe. These include: North America, South America, Europe, Africa, Asia, Australia and Antarctica. We live in North America.
- 5) **Country** - a nation with its own government controlling a specific territory. The United States is a country.
- 6) **Equator** – an imaginary circle around the earth that is in the middle of the north and south poles.
The equator is a line of latitude
- 7) **Geography** – the study of the location of living and nonliving things. Geographers study geography.
- 8) **Hemisphere** – one of the halves of the world divided by either the equator (northern hemisphere and southern hemisphere) or the prime meridian (eastern hemisphere and southern hemisphere).
New York is in the Northern Hemisphere and the Western Hemisphere
- 9) **Index** – The index is the list of places or items on a map, usually in alphabetical order
- 10) **Intermediate Direction** – the four secondary points on the compass rose: Northeast, Northwest, Southeast and Southwest
- 11) **Latitude** – a distance north or south of the equator. Latitude goes around the globe like a belt.

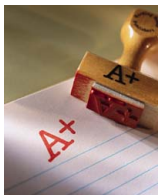
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- 12) **Longitude** – a distance east or west of the prime meridian. LONGitude are LONG and go up and down like a tie
- 13) **Neighborhood** – a community within a town or city. Harlem is a neighborhood in New York City.
- 14) **Orientation** – the orientation on the map is the compass, which has both cardinal directions and intermediate directions
- 15) **Planet** – We live on the planet Earth
- 16) **Prime Meridian** – an imaginary line that divides the earth between the eastern and western hemisphere. The prime meridian is a line of LONGitude.
- 17) **Region** – an area or division especially in a country or the world sharing certain characteristics. New York is part of the Northeast Region of the United States.
- 18) **Scale** – The scale of a map tells how the distances on the map compare to the actual distances on the Earth
- 19) **State** – one unit of a country with its own government that runs with the national government. We live in the state of New York.

Skills: These are the tools we will use to access the material in this unit.

Literacy	Social Studies
<p>Reading</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Summarize information read• Read and analyze a primary source• Identify and describe: clearly explain the Who, What, When, and Where for an event <p>Writing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Write explanatory paragraphs• Provide detailed, step by step directions to a particular location	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Analyzing primary and secondary sources• Utilize visual, mathematical, and quantitative data• Read, interpret and analyze data from maps• Find the absolute and relative locations of various points• Differentiate between political, resource and physical maps and why each are used.

Assessment: This is how you will demonstrate your knowledge about this unit.



Throughout the course of this unit you will demonstrate knowledge of this unit by earning an **80% or higher mastery on all exit tickets**. Exit Tickets that are between 70 – 79% are considered passing and may be retaken. Exit Ticket scores below 70% are considered not mastered and must be taken again. You will also demonstrate mastery by completing a final challenge where you will act as geographers/tour guides and experts of New York City. Finally, you will take a unit exam

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