

Welcome to Fifth Grade Social Studies

Fifth grade meets for social studies Monday through Friday. The chapters/lessons are read together. As we come to a mini lesson review (1-5 questions), the students will work in small groups to complete the assignment. Any unanswered questions are assigned for homework. As a class, we review each of the 5 questions the next day, discuss the answers, and grade the assignment. We follow the same procedure for all the mini lesson reviews in a chapter. After completing the chapter, portions of the end of chapter review will be assigned. Students will work in small groups to begin answering these questions. Any portion of the assignment that is not completed in class will be for homework. As a class, we will review each of the questions the next day, discuss the answers, and grade the assignment. In addition to the end of chapter review, I also give the students a summary review of each of the mini lessons in the chapter. Students will also work on the summary lesson review in their small groups. Any portion that is not completed will be assigned for homework. As a class, we will review each of the summaries along with any questions the next day, discuss the answers, and grade the assignment. The day before a chapter test, we will play a jeopardy game that usually covers anywhere from 45 – 55 questions on the chapter. The winning team in Jeopardy will earn a 2-point bonus on their test.

The final review/study guide handed out on a social studies chapter is an overview of the concepts the students should have a good understanding of before the test. This is pulled directly from all of the material above that has been reviewed, discussed, and corrected.

There is a lot of information in a social studies chapter. The students need to be taking all the work and time we are putting into a chapter seriously. The material is learned over a period of time and will need to be reviewed and studied over a period of time as well. There is definitely too much information for a student to be reviewing the night before a test. It is highly recommended to review the material we have discussed and corrected at least two nights before a chapter test. Preparing for the Jeopardy game is a great start and should be a lot of fun for the entire class.

The social studies tests will usually consist of 17 multiple choice questions along with 4-5 short answer questions.

Thank you for your on-going support.
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