

Rockwall ISD
6th Grade Social Studies Parent Guide

	1st Grading Period	2nd Grading Period	3rd Grading Period	4th Grading Period
Units	Unit 1: Introduction to Geography & Culture Unit 2: Introduction to Government & Economics: The United States & Canada	Unit 3: Latin America Unit 4: Europe, Russia, & Eurasian Republics (Continues into 3rd nine weeks)	Unit 5: Southwest Asia & North Africa Unit 6: Sub-Saharan Africa	Unit 7: Asia Unit 8: Pacific Realm
Focus TEKS Ongoing Teks: 6.1A, 6.2B, 6.3CD, 6.10A, 6.17B, 6.18ABC, 6.19ABCD, 6.20ABCDE, 6.22	Unit 1: 6.3ABC, 6.13ABC, 6.14ABC, 6.20ABCD Unit 2: 6.2B, 6.6A, 6.7AB, 6.8A, 6.9ABC, 6.10C, 6.11ABC, 6.12AB, 6.14ABC	Unit 3: 6.2AB, 6.3AB, 6.4AB, 6.5C, 6.6ABC, 6.7ABC, 6.8AB, 6.13ABC, 6.15AD Unit 4: 6.1B, 6.2B, 6.3B, 6.6A, 6.7AB, 6.10BC, 6.13CD, 6.14ABC, 6.15ABCD, 6.17A, 6.18ABC	Unit 5: 6.1B, 6.2A, 6.5C, 6.7A, 6.8B, 6.9C, 6.13ABCD, 6.15AD, 6.17A Unit 6: 6.1B, 6.2B, 6.9BC, 6.13ABCD, 6.15AD, 6.17A	Unit 7: 6.5ABC, 6.6AC, 6.7AB, 6.9ABC, 6.10B, 6.13ABCD, 6.15ABCD, 6.17A, 6.18ABC Unit 8: 6.3BC, 6.4A, 6.8AB, 6.13ABC, 6.15A, 6.16ABC
Topic Focus	Geographic Patterns & Migration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geographic tools Geographic distributions Patterns of population Human Migration Identify & locate major landforms, bodies of water, and regions United States & Canada-Government <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unlimited Government Democracy Political process Civic participation/duties Economics 	Latin America-Culture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Colonization Immigration Trade Columbian Exchange Deforestation Rainforest Europe, Russia & Eurasian Republics-History & Geography <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Middle Ages & Renaissance Identify & describe means of cultural diffusion such as trade, travel and war Compare/contrast socialist, communist, and free enterprise economies Industrialization 	Southwest Asia & North Africa-Geography <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Modification of Physical Environment Relationships between religious & philosophical ideas and culture Production & Distribution of Goods Sub-Saharan Africa <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Levels of economic development Describe & compare limited and unlimited government Historical backgrounds to evaluate relationships between past conflicts and current conditions 	Asia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Political systems Diversity of languages, religion, ethnicity Technology Advancements Physical Processes Pacific Realm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contributions of groups Human environmental interaction
Suggestions for Parent Involvement <i>In each unit, students will discuss the essential topics for each country: government, economics, physical & human geography, and culture</i>	Questions & Discussion Topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain the location of each world region. What is economics? What is culture? What is democracy? 	Questions & Discussion Topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How does Latin America's government system differ from ours? How does Latin America trade & distribute goods? How do past conflicts of Europe & Russia affect their current conditions? 	Questions & Discussion Topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How does the government systems in Southwest Asian countries compare to ours? What are some of the cultural traits of Africa? 	Questions & Discussion Topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is there a relationship between the religious ideas, philosophical ideas & the culture of Asia? Across other cultures? How have individuals adapted to the physical environment in Australia?