Social Studies Planning

**Unit 1: World Geography and Mesopotamia (8 weeks)**

**Week 6 Big Ideas: Human migrations and early civilizations; how did geography affect them and how did they contribute to the current state of the world.**

Week 6 – 10/7 to 10/11

10/9 - YWBAT understand how ancient civilizations developed and how they contributed to the current state of the world.

Success is: providing an explanation for why physical geography affected the development of early civilizations.

* Label fertile crescent map in foldable
* Write fertile crescent description/explanation draft
  + Discuss/revise
  + Write in foldable
* Sumerians video: <https://www.brainpop.com/socialstudies/ancientcultures/sumerians/>
  + First watch
  + Second watch: take note of key contributions of Sumerians
* Write contributions in foldable

10/7 - YWBAT understand how ancient civilizations developed and how they contributed to the current state of the world

Success is: writing about the importance of early writing and practicing Cuneiform

* Cuneiform foldable and explanation
* If time: record keeping in Cuneiform clay activity