Social Studies Planning

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

**Week 4 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 4 – 9/23 to 9/27

9/25 - 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.

* Video with guided notes: <https://www.khanacademy.org/partner-content/big-history-project/early-humans/how-did-first-humans-live/v/bhp-how-did-first-humans-live>
* Analyze map and discuss reading (reading completed during 9/18 language arts): <https://genographic.nationalgeographic.com/human-journey/>

9/26 - YWBAT understand how ancient civilizations developed and how they contributed to the current state of the world.

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* The First Civilizations simulation, day 1: can you survive on your own?
  + Materials in social studies binder
* Class discussion and plans for improving chances of survival tomorrow

9/27 - YWBAT understand how ancient civilizations developed and how they contributed to the current state of the world.

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* The First Civilizations simulation, day 2: can you survive as a small community?
* Class discussion: why physical geography affected the development of early civilizations.