

Unit 1: Cultural Geography Essential Standards (August - October 2019)

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TEKS Number	Standard - Description	Example - Rigor	Prior Skills Needed	Common Assessment	When Taught?	Extension Skills
	What is the essential standard to be learned? Describe it in student-friendly vocabulary.	What does proficient student work look like? Provide an example and/or description.	What prior knowledge, skills, and/or vocabulary are needed to master this standard?	What assessments will be used to measure student mastery?	When will this standard be taught?	What will we do when students have learned the essential standards?
6.15E	Compare and Contrast cultural traits among societies, focusing on geography	Compare cultural traits of Middle Eastern Countries through religion chart and talk, read, talk, write activity	Knowledge of countries located in the Middle East. Geography Terms, Religious Terms, Political Terms	Concept check on Religion, Unit Test and Cultural Impressions of the Middle East	August thru October	Students will be able to analyze different cultures as we continue to study cultures of the World.
6.7A	Show how geography, climate and natural resources of a region impact societies' cultures	Students can demonstrate how geography impacts culture and analyze regional culture traits through the Cultural Impressions of the Middle East CAP	Knowledge of cultural traits and adaptations	Students will write a free response essay that has a strong thesis demonstrating which cultural trait has the greatest impact on the other traits and illustrating at least 3 traits as evidence.	Mid October	Participate in small group discussions comparing various cultural traits and their relationships between countries in the region of the Middle East.