

## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies Study Guide

### Map Usage

**European Geography**-Locate the countries, Capitols, landforms, natural resources and major areas of Europe

### Ancient Greece

Acropolis \_\_\_\_\_  
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Aristocrat \_\_\_\_\_  
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Tyrant \_\_\_\_\_  
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Democracy \_\_\_\_\_  
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Tribute \_\_\_\_\_  
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Philosopher \_\_\_\_\_  
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Agora \_\_\_\_\_  
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Oracle \_\_\_\_\_  
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How did physical geography affect the growth of ancient Greek society? \_\_\_\_\_

What were the two early civilizations of ancient Greece? \_\_\_\_\_

How did Greece conquer Troy? \_\_\_\_\_

What happened during Greece's Dark ages? \_\_\_\_\_

What were the three ruling group that lead up to the formation of the Greek city states? \_\_\_\_\_  
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What is an epic poem, who is famous for writing them and what is one of the poems still read today? \_\_\_\_\_

In what areas did Greece flourish during the golden age? \_\_\_\_\_

How did Pericles strengthen democracy? \_\_\_\_\_

Who was the Greek's King of the Gods? \_\_\_\_\_

Name two ways the Greeks worshiped? \_\_\_\_\_

Why were oracles important to the ancient Greeks? \_\_\_\_\_

How did the beliefs of philosophers differ from most Greeks? \_\_\_\_\_

Name one of the famous philosophers from Ancient Greece \_\_\_\_\_

What is the Parthenon? \_\_\_\_\_

What types of plays did the Greeks write and why were they important? \_\_\_\_\_

What was the acropolis? \_\_\_\_\_

What business did people conduct in the Agoras? \_\_\_\_\_

How did women spend their days? \_\_\_\_\_

What did a private home look like? \_\_\_\_\_

How did Greeks obtain slaves? \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the life of a young boy in Sparta. \_\_\_\_\_

How was life different for Spartan women than for the women of Athens? \_\_\_\_\_

Who was the founder of the Persian Empire? \_\_\_\_\_

What happened during the battle at Marathon? \_\_\_\_\_

Who did we get our modern marathon? \_\_\_\_\_

Who did the relationship between the city-states change as a result of the Persian invasion?

What were some of the reasons for the Fall of Athens?

How was the empire of Alexander the Great related to the spread of Greek Culture?

How did King Philip, Alexander's Father achieve? \_\_\_\_\_

How did Alexander receive the title Alexander the Great? \_\_\_\_\_

When did the Hellenistic Age begin?

What city was the greatest of all Hellenistic cities and Why?

Why do you think Alexander the Great named so many cities after himself?

How long did the Hellenistic Age last? \_\_\_\_\_

Why did so many scholars go to Alexandria?

**Rome**

Republic \_\_\_\_\_

Consul \_\_\_\_\_

Patrician \_\_\_\_\_

Plebeian \_\_\_\_\_

Why did Rome's geography make it a good place for a city?

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Why do we know so little about the Etruscans?

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Why did the Romans decide to form a republic?

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What concepts of ancient Rome are used in the United States Government today?

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What was the relationship between patricians and plebeians? What were some results of the friction between the two groups?

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Why were many Romans against the rule of Julius Caesar?

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What are some characteristics of the Roman Empire?

Compare and contrast the way Julius Cesar and Augustus treated the senate.

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How did the Romans treat the people they conquered? How do you think this treatment benefited the empire and kept it going?

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How did the Greek religion influence the Roman religion? Why do you think architecture was so important to the Romans?

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How did the invention of concrete help Roman Builders?

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What are some ancient Roman structures you can see today in Rome?

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What rights did men and women have in ancient Rome?

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How is the Roman diet similar to ours today?

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Who owned slaves in ancient Rome?

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Why was it important to have a written story of Jesus' life? How did Paul help spread Christianity?

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Why did Jesus ideas attract so many followers?

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How did the Emperor Nero fight the growing power of the Christians in the Roman Empire?

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What were some of the reason the empire in the west lost all its power?

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What happened to the empire in the east?

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### **Medieval times**

Who was Charlemagne and what did he accomplish during his reign?

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Who held the power in the feudal system?

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What was the role of a serf?

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What gave the church so much political power in the middle ages?

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What is something you will find on a gothic cathedral?

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What unique opportunity did convents offer to women?

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What was something Monk's accomplished in the monasteries?

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Describe Scholasticism

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What were the two major reasons for the growth of towns?

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What were the Crusades?

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What city in the holy land attracted religious pilgrimages?

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Who was Saladin?

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Why did he refuse to give up Jerusalem?

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What was a positive result of the Crusades?

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Who was Joan of Arch and why was she important?

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What document gave English citizens a say in government?

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Who fought the 100 yeas war?

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What were some of the outcomes of the 100 year way?

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