

# World History

Analyze ancient civilizations and empires in terms of their development, growth and lasting impact. [WH.H.2](#)

**WH.H.2.1** Compare how different geographic issues of the ancient period influenced settlement, trading networks and the sustainability of various ancient civilizations [WH.H.2.1](#)

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**WH.H.2.2** Analyze the governments of ancient civilizations in terms of their development, structure and function within various societies [WH.H.2.2](#)

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**WH.H.2.3** Explain how codifying laws met the needs of ancient societies [WH.H.2.3](#)

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**WH.H.2.4** Analyze the rise and spread of various empires in terms of influence, achievements and lasting impact [WH.H.2.4](#)

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**WH.H.2.5** Analyze the development and growth of major Eastern and Western religions [WH.H.2.5](#)

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**WH.H.2.6** Analyze the interaction between the Islamic world and Europe and Asia in terms of increased trade, enhanced technology innovation, and an impact on scientific thought and the arts. [WH.H.2.6](#)

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**WH.H.2.7** Analyze the relationship between trade routes and the development and decline of major empires [WH.H.2.7](#)

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**WH.H.2.8** Compare the conditions, racial composition, and status of social classes, castes, and slaves in ancient societies and analyze changes in those elements. [WH.H.2.8](#)

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**WH.H.2.9** Evaluate the achievements of ancient civilizations in terms of their enduring cultural impact. [WH.H.2.9](#)

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Understand how conflict and innovation influenced political, religious, economic and social changes in medieval civilizations. [WH.H.3](#)

**WH.H.3.1** Explain how religion influenced political power and cultural unity in various regions of Europe, Asia and Africa [WH.H.3.1](#)

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**WH.H.3.2** Explain how religious and secular struggles for authority impacted the structure of government and society in Europe, Asia, and Africa [WH.H.3.2](#)

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**WH.H.3.3** Analyze how innovations in agriculture, trade and business impacted the economic and social development of various medieval societies [WH.H.3.3](#)

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**WH.H.3.4** Analyze how the desire for farmable land created conflict and impacted the physical environments of Europe, Asia, Africa and the Americas [WH.H.3.4](#)

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Analyze the political, economic, social and cultural factors that lead to the development of the first age of global interaction. [WH.H.4](#)

**WH.H.4.1** Explain how interest in classical learning and religious reform contributed to increased global interaction [WH.H.4.1](#)

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**WH.H.4.2** Explain the political, social and economic reasons for the rise of powerful centralized nation-states and empires [WH.H.4.2](#)

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**WH.H.4.3** Explain how agricultural and technological improvements transformed daily life socially and economically [WH.H.4.3](#)

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**WH.H.4.4** Analyze the effects of increased global trade on the interactions between nations in Europe, Southwest Asia, the Americas and Africa [WH.H.4.4](#)

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Analyze exploration and expansion in terms of its motivations and impact. [WH.H.5](#)

**WH.H.5.1** Explain how and why the motivations for exploration and conquest resulted in increased global interactions, differing patterns of trade, colonization, and conflict among nations [WH.H.5.1](#)

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**WH.H.5.2** Explain the causes and effects of exploration and expansion [WH.H.5.2](#)

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**WH.H.5.3** Analyze colonization in terms of the desire for access to resources and markets as well as the consequences on indigenous cultures, population, and environment [WH.H.5.3](#)

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**WH.H.5.4** Analyze the role of investment in global exploration in terms of its implications for international trade [WH.H.5.4](#)

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Understand the Age of Revolutions and Rebellions. [WH.H.6](#)

**WH.H.6.1** Explain how new ideas and theories of the universe altered political thought and affected economic and social conditions [WH.H.6.1](#)

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**WH.H.6.2** Analyze political revolutions in terms of their causes and impact on independence, governing bodies and church-state relations. [WH.H.6.2](#)

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**WH.H.6.3** Explain how physical geography and natural resources influenced industrialism and changes in the environment [WH.H.6.3](#)

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**WH.H.6.4** Analyze the effects of industrialism and urbanization on social and economic reform [WH.H.6.4](#)

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Understand how national, regional, and ethnic interests have contributed to conflict among groups and nations in the modern era. [WH.H.7](#)

**WH.H.7.1** Evaluate key turning points of the modern era in terms of their lasting impact [WH.H.7.1](#)

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**WH.H.7.2** Analyze the increase in economic and military competition among nations in terms of the influences of nationalism, imperialism, militarism, and industrialization [WH.H.7.2](#)

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**WH.H.7.3** Analyze economic and political rivalries, ethnic and regional conflicts, and nationalism and imperialism as underlying causes of war [WH.H.7.3](#)

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**WH.H.7.4** Explain how social and economic conditions of colonial rule contributed to the rise of nationalistic movements [WH.H.7.4](#)

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**WH.H.7.5** Analyze the emergence of capitalism as a dominant economic pattern and the responses to it from various nations and groups [WH.H.7.5](#)

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**WH.H.7.6** Explain how economic crisis contributed to the growth of various political and economic movements [WH.H.7.6](#)

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Analyze global interdependence and shifts in power in terms of political, economic, social and environmental changes and conflicts since the last half of the twentieth century. [WH.H.8](#)

**WH.H.8.1** Evaluate global wars in terms of how they challenged political and economic power structures and gave rise to new balances of power [WH.H.8.1](#)

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**WH.H.8.3** Analyze the “new” balance of power and the search for peace and stability in terms of how each has influenced global interactions since the last half of the twentieth century [WH.H.8.3](#)

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**WH.H.8.4** Analyze scientific, technological and medical innovations of postwar decades in terms of their impact on systems of production, global trade and standards of living [WH.H.8.4](#)

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**WH.H.8.5** Explain how population growth, urbanization, industrialization, warfare and the global market economy have contributed to changes in the environment [WH.H.8.5](#)

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**WH.H.8.6** Explain how liberal democracy, private enterprise and human rights movements have reshaped political, economic and social life in Africa, Asia, Latin America, Europe, the Soviet Union and the United States [WH.H.8.6](#)

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**WH.H.8.7** Explain why terrorist groups and movements have proliferated and the extent of their impact on politics and society in various countries [WH.H.8.7](#)

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