



# Social Studies

## Grade 6

### 2nd Nine Weeks



This academic overview can be used to monitor and support your child's at-home learning progress.

## Unit 3: Technological Advances in Society

### Student Learning Targets

- I can explain how specific technological advances and scientific discoveries have shaped the world.
- I can describe the contributions of scientists and inventors that have influenced contemporary societies.
- I can explain how the use of technology is affected by resources, economic factors, and political decisions.

### Questions to Check for Unit Understanding

- How does the availability of natural resources impact the development of technology?
- What specific technological advances and scientific discoveries have shaped the contemporary world?

### Key Academic Vocabulary

- Technology- the use of knowledge to develop new devices and tools

## Unit 4: Defining Culture

### Student Learning Targets

- I can define the common traits that define culture and cultural regions.
- I can describe the means of cultural diffusion such as trade, travel, and war.
- I can describe the factors that influence cultural change, such as improvements in communication, transportation, and economic development.

### Questions to Check for Unit Understanding

- What are the traits that define culture?
- How has cultural diffusion shaped the modern world?

### Key Academic Vocabulary

- Culture- the traditions and beliefs shared by a group of people
- Cultural diffusion- the spread of cultural characteristics