The K12 Virtual Primary School History Curriculum:

A Participant’s-eye View

Appendices

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APPENDIX A

Outline of the K12, Inc. Kindergarten History Curriculum

1. Our World
   1. Our Earth Our Home
   2. Name the Continent
   3. Moving in the Right Direction
   4. Get Ready to Travel

2. Australia: The Land Down Under
   1. Animals of the Outback
   2. Outback and City
   3. Under the Sea in the Land Down Under

3. Europe: Many Countries, Many Stories
   1. Let’s Visit Spain
   2. Let’s Visit England
   3. Let’s Visit France
   4. Let’s Visit Ireland
   5. Germany & the Brothers Grimm
   6. Let’s Visit the Netherlands

4. Asia: The Asian Adventure
   1. Slow Boat Through China
   2. Living in China
   3. A Tour of Japan
   4. Japan: Of Peaches & Puppets
   5. Into India
   6. The Arabian Peninsula

5. An African Safari
   1. Life in the Sahara
   2. Southern Africa and the Kalahari Desert
   3. The African Savannah
   4. Central Africa and the Congo Rain Forest
   5. African Villages and Cities

6. South American Scenes
   1. The Amazon Rain Forest
   2. It Came from Brazil
   3. High in the Andes
   4. On the Pampas

7. Antarctica: The Frozen Continent
   1. Land of Ice and Snow
   2. Penguins in Antarctica

8. North America: From Maple Leaf to Cactus Branch
   1. Oh, Canada!
   2. Here We Go to Mexico, Part 1
   3. Here We Go to Mexico, Part 2
4. This Land Is Your Land

9. America the Beautiful
   1. From Sea to Shining Sea, Part 1
   2. From Sea to Shining Sea, Part 2

10. The First Americans
    1. The Anasazi of the Southwest
    2. The Plains Indians
    3. Indians of the Eastern Woodlands

11. A New World
    1. Christopher Columbus
    2. The Pilgrims’ First Thanksgiving
    3. Thirteen English Colonies and the Story of William Penn
    4. Junipero Serra in California

12. Becoming Our Own Nation
    1. “Yankee Doodle”—The American Revolution
    2. Betsy Ross and the First American Flag
    3. George Washington
    4. Thomas Jefferson

13. A Nation Grows Up
    1. Johnny Appleseed
    2. Lewis & Clark & Sacagawea
    3. Paul Bunyan
    4. Sequoyah’s Great Invention

14. Liberty and Justice For All
    1. Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet
    2. Harriet Tubman & the Underground Railroad
    3. “Honest Abe”: Abraham Lincoln
    4. Susan B. Anthony: Women’s Rights

15. America on the Move
    1. Laura Ingalls Wilder
    2. John Henry and the Railroad
    3. The Statue of Liberty
    4. Immigrants to America

16. Doers and Dreamers
    1. Thomas Alva Edison
    2. Theodore Roosevelt
    3. George Washington Carver
    4. Jane Addams and Hull-House
    5. Andrew Carnegie
    6. The Wright Brothers: First to Fly

17. Let Freedom Ring
    1. Eleanor Roosevelt: “First Lady of the World”
    2. Jackie Robinson
    3. Cesar Chavez: “Yes, it can be done!”
    4. Rose Parks and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
APPENDIX B

Outline of the K12, Inc. First Grade History Curriculum

1. Getting Around This Great Big World
   1. Getting Around the Globe
   2. Way to Go: Directions
   3. Our world: The Lay of the Land
   4. What Is History?
   5. What is Archaeology?

2. Early Civilizations
   1. Nomads: Wandering Families
   2. Nomads Settle in the Fertile Crescent
   3. The First Villages
   4. Egyptians Lived Along the Nile River
   5. Gods of Ancient Egypt
   6. Egypt Becomes One Country
   7. Hieroglyphics
   8. More Early Writing
   9. Mummies
   10. The Great Pyramid
   11. Tutankhamen—King Tut
   12. The Egyptian Cinderella

3. The Rise of Ancient Empires
   1. Pyramids and Ziggurats
   2. Sargon Conquers Mesopotamia
   3. Abraham Goes to Canaan
   4. Joseph and the Coat of Many Colors
   5. The Israelites
   6. The Tower of Babel
   7. Hammurabi: The Fair King
   8. A Mesopotamian Myth: The Legend of Gilgamesh
   9. Rivers as Roads in Mesopotamia

4. Ancient Kingdoms Rise and Fall
   1. Egypt Weak and Strong
   2. A Woman as Pharaoh
   3. Ramses II: the Great Builder
   4. Moses in the Basket
   5. The Exodus from Egypt
   6. David, Israel’s Second King
   7. Solomon, the Wise King
   8. The Warrior Who Built a Library
   9. Back to Babylon
   10. Ishtar and Tammuz: A Babylonian Myth

5. Ancient Greece, Part I: The Land and the Myths
   1. Ancient Crete
   2. Theseus and the Minotaur
   3. Life in Ancient Greece
   4. The Greek Gods
6. **Ancient Greece, Part II: From Athens to Alexander**
   1. Athena Gets a City
   2. Athens and Democracy
   3. Sparta: Be Brave and Strong
   4. Persia Rising: Darius on the Move
   5. The Battle of Marathon
   6. The Battle of Thermopylae
   7. The Golden Age of Athens: Pericles
   8. Lovers of Wisdom
   9. Greeks Fight Each Other: The Peloponnesian War
   10. Young Alexander
   11. Alexander the Great

7. **Ancient India**
   1. The Mystery of Mohenjo-Daro
   2. Ancient Hinduism
   3. The Ganges River
   4. The Ramayana
   5. Siddhartha Gautama: The Buddha
   6. Asoka and the Spread of Buddhism
   7. A Jataka Tale: The Monkey King

8. **Ancient China**
   1. Farming in Ancient China
   2. Early China: The Discovery of Silk
   3. Chinese Calligraphy
   4. Confucius: The Wise Teacher
   5. The Emperor Builds a Wall
   6. The Tomb of Qin Shi Huang Di
   7. The Han Dynasty
APPENDIX C

Outline of the K12, Inc. Second Grade History Curriculum

1. Getting Around This Great Big World
   1. Getting Around the Globe
   2. Way to Go: Directions
   3. Our World: The Lay of the Land
   4. What Is History?
   5. What Is Archaeology?

2. Ancient Rome
   1. Romulus and Remus
   2. Horatius at the Bridge
   3. Roman Republic and Cincinnatus
   4. Roman God and Goddesses
   5. The Myth of Ceres and Prosperina
   6. Roman Builders

3. Caesar to Augustus
   1. Meet Julius Caesar
   2. Crossing the Rubicon
   3. Caesar Meets Cleopatra
   4. I Came, I saw, I Conquered
   5. The Death of Caesar
   6. The First Roman Emperor

4. Roman Empire and Roman Peace
   1. Pax Romana
   2. Birth of Jesus
   3. Beginnings of Christianity
   4. Nero and the Burning of Rome
   5. Eruption of Mount Vesuvius
   6. Bread and Circuses: Roman Amusements

5. Rome Divides and Falls
   1. The Story of Saint Valentine
   2. Rome Divides in Two
   3. Constantine the Christian Emperor
   4. The Coming of the Barbarians
   5. Attila the Hun
   6. The Fall of Rome

6. Byzantium Rises
   1. The Contributions of Rome
   2. Constantinople: The New Rome
   3. Justinian, the Just Emperor
   4. theodora: Acress to Empress
   5. Hagia Sophia
   6. Nicholas: The Children’s Saint
7. The Early Middle Ages in Western Europe
   1. The Barbarians Stake Their Claims
   2. Angles and Saxons in Britain
   3. How Arthur Became King
   4. Guinevere Wins Arthur’s Heart
   5. A New Role for the Christian Church
   6. Life in a Monastery

8. The Rise of Islam
   1. Muhammad and the Beginning of Islam
   2. Mecca: The Holy City of Islam
   3. Islam Becomes an Empire
   4. Many Mosques
   5. A Muslim Story: The Hundredth Name
   6. Baghdad: The Jewel of Learning

9. A World in Turmoil
   1. Threat from the North: Viking Warriors on the Move
   2. Viking Shipbuilders and Explorers
   3. Viking Life
   4. Viking Gods and Goddesses
   5. Buried in Style
   6. The Normans Invade England

10. The Feudal World
    1. What Was Feudalism?
    2. Building a Castle
    3. Life in a Castle
    4. What is Knighthood?
    5. A Famous Knight: St. George and the Dragon
    6. Supposing You Were a Serf

11. Crusades Abroad and Changes in Europe
    1. Command from the Pope
    2. Richard the Lion-Hearted and Saladin
    3. The Legend of Robin Hood
    4. King John and the Magna Carta
    5. The Hundred Years War
    6. Joan of Arc: The Girl Who Saved France

12. Medieval African Empires
    1. Welcome to Africa
    2. Ghana: Gold Kingdom
    3. Sundiata: Liong King of Mali
    4. Mansa Musa of Mali
    5. Alll the Way to Timbuktu
    6. Ibn Battuta: An Amazing Traveler

13. Medieval China
    1. Remembering Ancient China
    2. The Grand Canal
    3. Buddhism in China
    4. The Trading Tang: The Silk Road
5. Mulan
6. The Inventive Song Dynasty

14. Feudal Japan

1. Japan: The Island Kingdom
2. Shinto, An Ancient Japanese Religion
3. Buddhism in Japan
4. Feudal Japan
5. Life of a Samurai
6. Kublai Khan Attacks—Twice!