

World Studies: Inquiry V AND VII Overview

Our last inquiry provided so much insight via a unique way to explore ways in which the continent of Africa is rich. The book was enjoyed by many as well as the connecting film, followed by a riveting guest speaker (*Mayor Collins*), culminating in skill assessment that allowed many English writing practices to align. Kudos to the students of World Studies for embracing this inquiry and applying their depth of knowledge, assessment style.

The next inquiry will deal with a variety of explorations to assist students in understanding the concept of 'place.' In order to do this, a cultural approach is necessary with emphasis on government, geography, language, race, ethnicity, and at the helm to understand each of these, religion. Therefore, the theme of the vastness we will tackle can really and truly only be understood through the lens of, 'World Religion.' Particularly discussing the impact of the top 5-10 religions practiced in the world that supports our compelling questions regarding misperception, conflict, and diversity. Our area of study for this inquiry will span the following: The Middle East, as well as Western, Central, and South Asia.

Students will continue to use a variety of sources ranging in planned usage of; *National Geographic, TCI, TCR, PBS, Britanica, Khan Academy, Newsela; mini video clips [including advocated in educational resources like TedEd's], reputable news sources and additional documents, as well as well as power points, art work, photography, discussions, debates, and opportunity to enhance both critical thinking skills and enact a growth mindset.*

In closing, please don't forget I post to your teens TEAMs page daily for assistance. A link to the audible version of the book will be supplied there as well, for days students miss in-class reads. This support is for revisiting our class on a daily basis when needed and/or to cater to absences so all can forge ahead at a manageable pace. Not everything of course can be replicated in a post, but this opportunity is a great place to start when absences occur to keep up.