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6th CBSE SOCIAL SCIENCE SYLLABUS

History

Chapter 1

What, Where, How and When?

- What can we know about the past?
- Where did people live?
- Names of the land
- Finding out about the past
- One past or many?
- What do dates mean?

Chapter 2

From Hunting-Gathering To Growing Food?

- The earliest people: why were they on the move?
- How do we know about these people?
- Choosing a place to live in
- Finding out about fire
- A changing environment
- The beginning of farming and herding
- A new way of life
- 'Storing' animals
- Finding out about the first farmers and herders
- Towards a settled life
- A closer look Living and dying in Mehrgarh

Chapter 3

In The Earliest Cities

- The story of Harappa
- What was special about these cities?
- Houses, drains and streets
- Life in the city
- New crafts in the city
- In search of raw materials
- Food for people in the cities
- A closer look Harappan towns in Gujarat
- The mystery of the end

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Chapter 4

What Books and Burials Tell Us

- One of the oldest books in the world
- How historians study the Rigveda
- Cattle, horses and chariots
- Words to describe people
- Silent sentinels—the story of the megaliths
- Finding out about social differences
- Were some burial spots meant for certain families?
- Occupations at Inamgaon

Chapter 5

Kingdoms, Kings and An Early Republic

- How some men became rulers
- Janapadas
- Mahajanapadas
- Taxes
- Changes in agriculture
- A closer look (a) Magadha
- A closer look (b) Vajji

Chapter 6

New Questions and Ideas

- The story of the Buddha
- Upanishads
- Jainism
- The sangha
- Monasteries

Chapter 7

Ashoka, The Emperor Who Gave Up War

- A very big kingdom = an empire
- How are empires different from kingdoms?
- Ruling the empire
- Ashoka, a unique ruler
- Ashoka's war in Kalinga
- What was Ashoka's dhamma?

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Chapter 8

Vital Villages, Thriving Towns

- Iron tools and agriculture
- Other steps to increase production: irrigation
- Who lived in the villages?
- Finding out about cities: stories, travellers, sculpture and archaeology
- Coins
- Cities with many functions
- Crafts and crafts persons
- A closer look Arikamedu

Chapter 9

Traders, Kings and Pilgrims

- How to find out about trade and traders
- New kingdoms along the coasts
- The story of the Silk Route
- The spread of Buddhism
- The quest of the pilgrims
- The beginning of Bhakti

Chapter 10

New Empires and Kingdoms

- Prashastis and what they tell us
- Samudragupta's prashasti
- Genealogies
- Harshavardhana and the Harshacharita
- The Pallavas, Chalukyas and Pulakeshin's prashasti
- How were these kingdoms administered?
- A new kind of army
- Assemblies in the southern kingdoms
- Ordinary people in the kingdoms

Chapter 11

Buildings, Paintings and Books

- The iron pillar
- Buildings in brick and stone
- How were stupas and temples built?
- Painting
- The world of books
- Recording and preserving old stories

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- Stories told by ordinary people
- Writing books on science

Geography

Chapter 1

The Earth in The Solar System

- The Solar System
- The Sun
- Planets
- The Earth
- The Moon
- Asteroids
- Meteoroids

Chapter 2

Globe: Latitudes and Longitudes

- Important Parallels Of Latitudes
- Heat Zones Of The Earth
- What Are Longitudes?
- Longitude And Time
- Why Do We Have Standard Time?

Chapter 3

Motions of the Earth

• Introduction

Chapter 4

Maps

- Physical Maps
- Political Maps
- Thematic Maps
- Distance
- Direction
- Symbols
- Sketch
- Plan

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Chapter 5

Major Domains Of The Earth

- Lithosphere
- Continents
- Hydrosphere
- Oceans
- Atmosphere
- Biosphere The Domain Of Life

Chapter 6

Major Landforms Of The Earth

- Mountains
- Plains
- Landforms And The People

Chapter 7

Our Country – India

- Locational Setting
- India's Neighbours
- Political And Administrative Divisions
- Physical Divisions

Chapter 8

India: Climate, Vegetation and Wildlife

- Cold Weather Season Or Winter
- Hot Weather Season Or Summer
- South West Monsoon Season Or Rainy Season
- Season Of Retreating Monsoons Or Autumn
- Natural Vegetation
- Why Are Forests Necessary?
- Wild Life

Civics

Unit 1 Diversity

Chapter 1

Understanding Diversity

- Making Friends
- What Does Diversity Add To Our Lives?

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- Diversity In India
- How Do We Explain Diversity?
- Unity In Diversity

Chapter 2

Diversity and Discrimination

- Difference and Prejudice
- Creating Stereotypes
- Inequality and Discrimination
- On being discriminated against
- Striving for Equality

Unit 2 Government

Chapter 3

What is Government?

- Levels of Government
- Laws and the Government
- Types of Government
- Democratic Governments

Chapter 4

Key Elements of a Democratic Government?

- Participation
- Other Ways Of Participating
- Need To Resolve Conflict
- Equality And Justice

Unit 3 Local Government and Administration

Chapter 5

Panchayati Raj

- Gram Sabha
- The Gram Panchayat
- Three Levels of Panchayats

Chapter 6

Rural Administration

- A Quarrel in the Village
- Area of the Police Station
- The work at the Police Station

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- Maintenance of Land Records
- A New Law

Chapter 7

Urban Administration

- The Ward Councillor and Administrative Staff
- A Community Protest

Unit 4 Livelihoods

Chapter 8

Rural Livelihoods

- Kalpattu village
- On being in Debt
- Agricultural Labourers and Farmers in India
- Rural Livelihoods

Chapter 8

Urban Livelihoods

- Working on the Street
- In the Market
- In the Factory-Workshop Area
- In the office area