









Our Vision

To equip students to understand, biblically evaluate, engage in, and make decisions about their world

Our Goals for Students

- To develop social studies skills and a foundational understanding of geography, economics, history, government, civics, and culture
- To evaluate sources, cultures, and events from a biblical worldview
- To propose solutions to economic, political, and social problems
- To become lifelong learners who value freedom, equality, and individual responsibility

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Program Approach

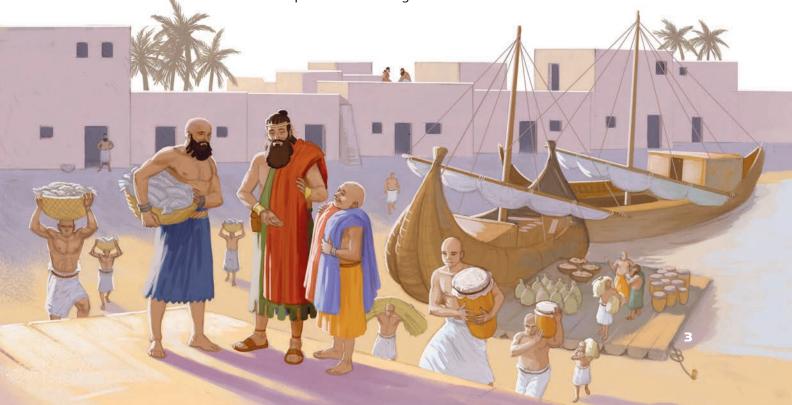
The BJU Press elementary heritage studies program helps students to understand and interact in God's world. To do that, it shows them how they fit into God's design. God created humans as individual and social beings. When people live and work together to develop culture in God-glorifying ways, honoring the institutions God has established, they fulfill His creational purpose for them. Students who have social studies skills and who can evaluate their world from a biblical worldview are equipped to be lifelong learners who can propose solutions to the problems our society faces.

Developing Social Studies Skills

We have designed the elementary heritage studies program to introduce and develop in students key social studies skills as well as foundations in geography, economics, history, government, civics, and culture. Activities and skills sections in the student edition prepare students for learning these skills while lessons balance between each of the social studies areas.

The teacher editions include suggested discussion topics and activities that give students opportunities to practice collaboration and creativity. The student editions include numerous exercises that require students to observe and interact with information—they will need to organize information into chronological order and discern connections between events. Additionally, students will learn map-reading skills by interacting with charts, graphs, map illustrations, and diagrams. Teacher-directed discussions help students to make connections between the graphics and text.

Most importantly, every lesson in every grade focuses on developing students' ability to read for understanding. Literacy skills and familiarity with reading informational texts are vital for studies in all disciplines, so our teacher and student editions focus on reading comprehension skills and include comprehension strategies.



Evaluating Problems from a Biblical Worldview

Our elementary heritage studies program develops students' critical-thinking skills by encouraging them to evaluate sources, cultures, and events from a biblical worldview. Students need to develop a knowledge of the United States' past and understand the values that have shaped the nation's story in order to make wise decisions about the values they will hold in the future. The student editions will help them understand the institutions that God has created that make up our culture. God has designed marriage, family, government, industry, economics, and the church to serve specific purposes. He has also designed the earth itself to serve specific purposes. Not only will our program help students understand those institutions, our planet, and our history, it will also help them to recognize and critique secular representations. By studying culture and society from a biblical worldview, students learn to evaluate the effects of the Fall on their culture. They also learn to live in their world as God intended.



Masks are frequently used in traditional African religious and social events.

Activities will highlight founding documents, giving students an opportunity to evaluate the principles that the United States was founded on. These resources help the teacher to dig deeper than the dates and facts of history and social studies. History chapters in the student editions help students to understand that history isn't just a random and meaningless series of events. As they evaluate historical events according to biblical standards, they will be able to clearly see how the Fall still impacts the course of human history.

Traditional African Beliefs	Christianity	
Most Africans believed in a god who was a being, but they relied on to explain what this god was like.	The Bible teaches that God the world (Genesis 1:1). Christians rely on the to explain what God is like (1 Thessalonians 2:13).	
Africans believed that their god could be reached through and offerings.	The Bible teaches that only Christ's sacrifice is sufficient to people to God (2 Corinthians 5:19).	
One common belief was that there were spirits who controlled natural forces for or for Africans these spirits and tried to please them.	The Bible teaches that there is only God (Isaiah 45:5). He created all things for His own; only He is to receive glory (Revelation 4:11).	
Africans often relied on a person thought to have magical powers, such as a man or a, to connect them with the supernatural world.	The Bible teaches that Jesus is the between God and man whose death provided atonement for man's sin (1 Timothy 2:5). He makes for people who come to God by Him (Hebrews 7:25).	
Africans believed that the spirits of their departed relatives them and their lives.	The Bible warns people not to try to the dead (Deuteronomy 18:10–11; a necromancer is a person who inquires of the dead).	

Proposing Solutions from a Biblical Worldview

The BJU Press heritage studies program also introduces students to real-world social studies issues that they will encounter throughout their lives. As they develop a strong biblical worldview foundation of the social studies, they will be able to propose God-honoring solutions to those issues. In the student editions, students will be encouraged to relate humanity's use of the environment to the Creation Mandate, and to propose ways to use the earth for the benefit of people wisely and appropriately. In economics, government, civics, and culture, they will be introduced to the biblical basis for hard work, the role of governments, our role as citizens, and the development of culture. These bases will help them come to effective solutions to social issues.

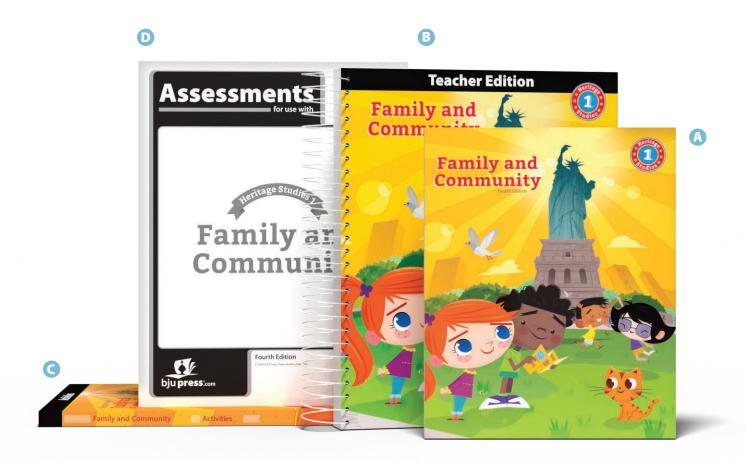
Becoming Lifelong Learners

Through captivating text, illustrations, activities, and extras, we strive to cultivate a lifelong interest in history, geography, citizenship, government, economics, and culture. Students who are informed and aware about not only their current society, but also the history of their society are better able to recognize the struggles it has gone through to gain freedom and equality. They will also know the importance of individual responsibility in gaining these things.



The Materials

Below are the standard heritage studies materials provided for each elementary grade. Some grades may include additional pieces. For a comprehensive list, contact your Precept sales representative at preceptmarketing.com/locator.



A. Student Edition (eTextbooks available)

Using well-researched content combined with colorful photos, illustrations, and graphics, each student edition integrates the Bible, citizenship, culture, economics, geography, government, and history to give students a strong foundation in social studies. Each student edition is also available as an eTextbook; see page 15 for details.

B. Teacher Edition

The teacher edition for each grade contains full-color, reduced-size student pages plus extras, such as discussion ideas, background information, hands-on activities, review games, and songs that make learning memorable. Some lessons provide opportunities for collaboration and teamwork, creativity and imagination, critical thinking, and technology literacy.

C. Activities

This companion to the student edition provides a variety of pages that reinforce the students' understanding of key concepts and review what students have learned. Activities include map skills, study skills, timelines, graphic organizers, charts, writing in the content area, and biblical integration. An answer key is available as a separate book.

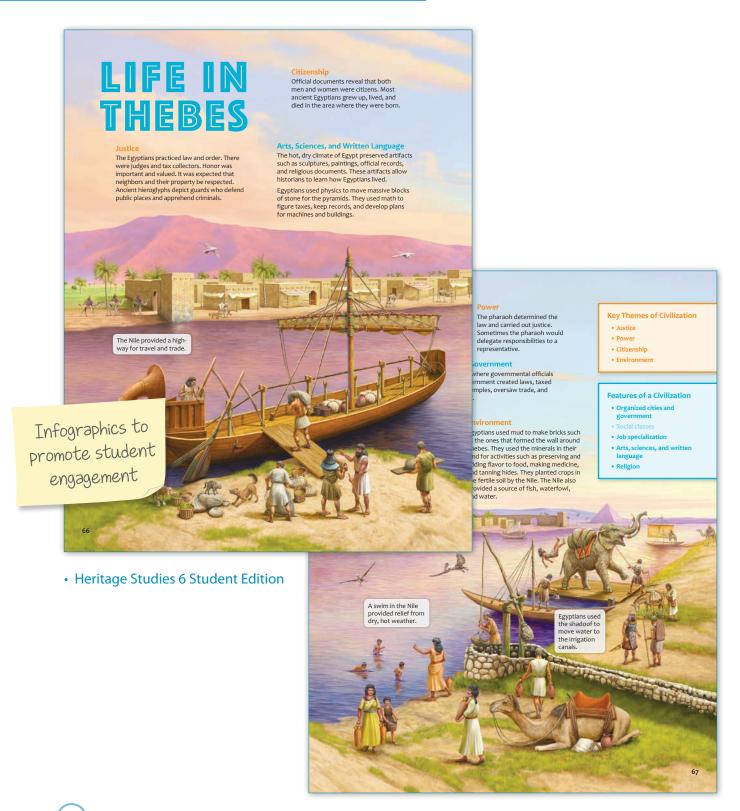


D. Assessments

Each assessment packet contains one test per chapter or unit, covering the most important concepts taught in the lessons. These tests can be adjusted in accordance with teaching emphasis and direction. Tests include using graphic organizers, models, maps, and primary sources. Students will also be expected to identify documents, symbols, events, and people. The tests should be used in conjunction with your individual assessment of a student's understanding and application. The assessments answer key is available for separate purchase.

See pages 14–15 for technology solutions.

Student Edition



Think carefully as you study American history. Did Americans fear God? Did they act justly toward others? Are there lessons you can learn from them? You may also be an American citizen. You will vote in elections. You will have to think about what actions are best for the nation. You will need to fear God. You will need to help America act justly.

Engaging activities



Make a Timeline

A timeline lists key events that happened in history. A timeline shows these events in the order they happened and shows the amount of time that passed between the events.

A timeline can record events that happen in your life, family, class, or in the life of a famous person. Use resources and choose pictures to make your own timeline.





Conclusion

In 1945 few Americans thought about problems with Russia. Instead, they celebrated the victory against Germany and Japan. American soldiers flooded home. They left the military, got jobs, got married, and bought houses. Although the world did not have complete peace, Americans began to return to a normal life.



As soldier married a American suburbs li Levittown Quick-check questions assess reading comprehension

Why did Hitler want to destroy the Jews during the Holocaust?

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• Heritage Studies 4 Student Edition

Teacher Edition

Unit 2 This unit defines a community. It presents the roles of churches and people in a community, explains the role of government, discusses the rights and responsibilities of citizens, and identifies ways citizens help their communities. The unit concludes with a biography of Martin Luther King Jr. to show how people can make a difference in their communities. **Unit Question** Biblical worldview-How do people in a community work together? shaping objectives Analyze a paragraph to find the main idea and support-ing details Identify different parts of a community Use charts to help make decisions Explain why rules and laws are important in a Devise ways that people in a community can help each other resolve problems

Vocabulary

Community

- chart election
- church • justice
- citizen • law
- vote community

how a young boy and his neighbor team up to solve a neighborhood problem. Every time it rains, the street in front of Mr. Hamilton's house becomes a pond. The pond is taking over the neighborhood, but the City Works Department will not fix the problem. So Rodney Robbins and Mr. Hamilton decide to fix it themselves in a very unusual way.

Rodney Robbins and the Rainy-Day Pond is a story of



Objectives

- Explain why people in a community need to work together
 The main idea in a paragraph

Teacher Resources

• Instructional Aid 2.1: Barn-Building Song

- Materials
 Pictures of rural, suburban, and urban communities
- Log cabin quilt for display

- Direct attention to the opening picture of people work-ing. Explain that the people in the picture are volun-teers. Volunteers are people who give their time to help others.
- Guide a visual analysis of the picture.

What are the volunteers doing? They are lifting the frame for a wall. They are trying to attach it to the bolts in the floor.

- Could one person lift the frame alone? No, the frame would be too big and too heavy for one person to lift
- Guide a discussion of how the volunteers are different from each other. Include that some are men, one is a woman, some are younger, and some are older.
- What do you think the volunteers are building? possibly
- Read aloud the unit title.

What do you think you will learn in this unit? what a

- Read the vocabulary words together.
- · Guide the students as they locate the letter C and the Guide the students as they locate the tree C and the word *chart* in the Picture Glossary. Read aloud the definition. Follow a similar procedure with the letter L and the word *law*.
- Point out that Jaylen is watering flowers. Tell the students that they will learn how people work to make their communities better.

Unit 2: Community

Lessons 13-14 • 31

• Heritage Studies 1 Teacher Edition

Visit TeacherToolsOnline.com for

resources to enhance the lessons.

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Creation, Fall, Redemption



Student Text pages 9-11

PREPARATION FOR READING

- Generate interest as you direct the students to read the titles and examine the images in this
- Direct attention to the bold words and de
- Direct the students to discover the answer question as they read the pages silently.

Guide pronunciation of unfamiliar words Reading for information Invite a student to read aloud the guiding

TEACH FOR UNDERSTANDING

What methods of creation did God use? Verbal and physical; God spoke the world into existence. He created man from the soil of the earth and woman from the rib of the man.

What made mankind different from the rest of God's on? Mankind was created in God's image. In what ways are people like God? People have a sense of right and wrong. They have the ability to think, love, use language, and enjoy relationships. What was the Creation Mandate? God told man and woman to fill, subdue, and have dominion over the

Invite a student to read Genesis 1:28 aloud.

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God created people with a purpose.

Define the image of God in man and

- Recount the event of the Fall
 Relate the image of God in man and
- · Relate the Fall to its effects on the un Explain how Genesis 3:15 provides tl

What should a historian keep in n background of the author, how the ence, the purpose of the record, and

Chapter 1: In the Beginning

Student Text pages 199-203 Activity Manual page 149

During the Pax Romana, Rome's culture was similar to the culture of Greece.

- · Describe the significance of the Pax Romana
- Contrast education during the Pax Romana with education today
- Analyze an ancient Roman poem by Virgil
- Identify the architectural features of the Colosseum and the Pantheon

REVIEW

What prevented Rome from being a true republic under Caesar? Caesar insisted on having absolute

PREPARATION FOR READING

- Generate interest as you direct the students to read the titles and examine the images and map in this
- Invite a student to read aloud the guiding question. · Direct the students to discover the answer to the
- guiding question as they read the pages silently.

TEACH FOR UNDERSTANDING

- 🖔 What did Octavian do to strengthen the Roman
- He worked to restore honesty, diligence, and respect to the government.
- 2. Octavian restored power to the Senate and Tribal Assembly. He influenced laws by reserving the office of tribune for himself.
- 3. He reorganized the army and the governments of Rome's territories.
 4. Octavian promoted trade and industry and built
- roads throughout the empire
- Direct attention to the map. Guide the students in locating the various trade routes and identifying items used in trade.
- Choose a volunteer to state several titles Octavian used. princeps, Augustus

Rome's history? Rome enjoyed a period of peace and prosperity that lasted for the next two hundred years. There was an emphasis on education, architecture, and religion.

Guide the students in a discussion to compare education during the Pax Romana with education in America today. Include the following information in the discussion.

The Roman Empire (31 BC-AD 476)

Education and Citizenship

Full-color student pages in Teacher Edition



- 1. Fathers were responsible for the education of their children. Today, both
- Parents are responsible to ensure the education of their children.

 2. Many wealthy families hired servants and tutors to educate the children.

 Some boys and girls attended school. Today, some parents have their children
- educated at home, but most children attend school. 3. Roman education focused on reading, writing, and mathematics. Some Ro-
- man children also studied subjects such as science, geography, history, literature, and languages. Children today study all these subjects.

 4. Roman children wrote on wax tablets and used an abacus for math. Now children write on paper or use electronic tablets or computers. They calculate
- math problems on paper and sometimes use a calculator.

 5. Many Roman girls received a basic education and then stayed home to learn how to manage a household. Sometimes they studied further with a tutor. Girls in America today typically attend school until they are adults, and many omen attend college after high school

Activities to promote classroom discussion

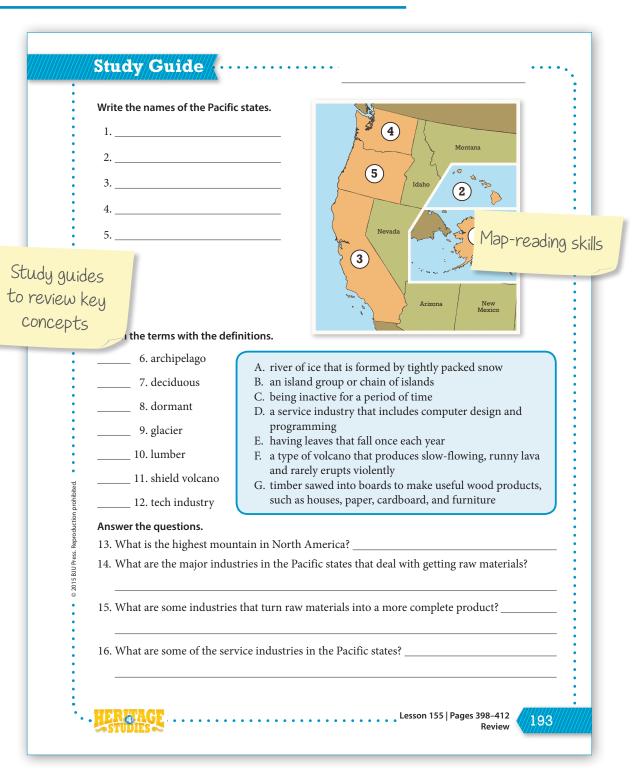
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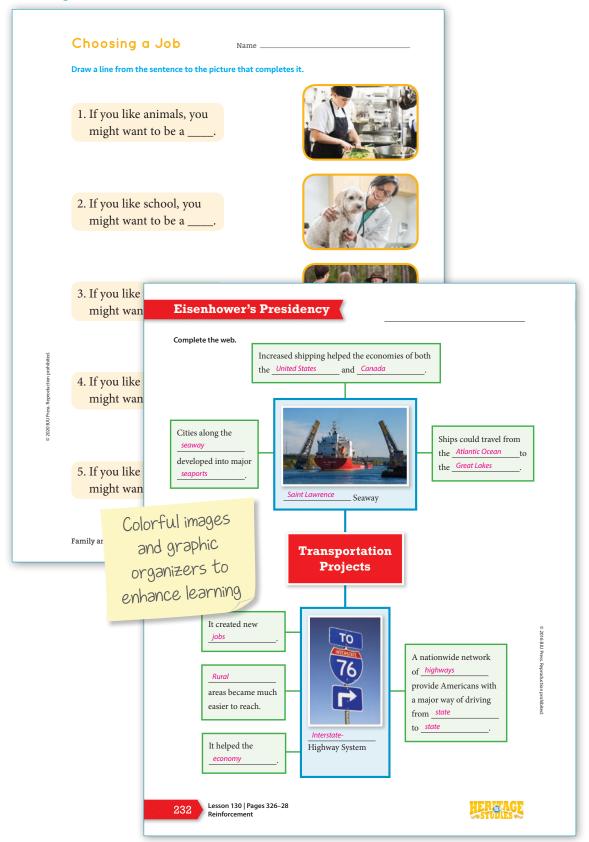
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