**Unit 5 Standards/Essential Questions**

**SSWH8 - Describe the diverse characteristics of societies in Central and South America**.

a. Explain the rise and fall of the Mayan, Aztec, and Inca Empires.

b. Compare and contrast the Mayan, Aztec, and Incan societies, include: religion, culture, economics, politics, and technology.

**SSWH10 - Analyze the causes and effects of exploration and expansion into the Americas, Africa, and Asia**.

a. Explain the roles of explorers and conquistadors.

b. Analyze the global, economic, and cultural impact of the Columbian Exchange.

c. Explain the role of improved technology in exploration.

d. Examine the effects of the Transatlantic Slave Trade on Africa and on the colonies in the Americas.

**SSWH11 - Examine political and social changes in Japan and in China from the fourteenth century CE/AD to mid-nineteenth century CE/AD**.

a. Describe the impact of the Tokugawa Shogunate policies on the social structure of Japan.

b. Describe the impact of the Qing and Ming Dynasty policies on the social structure of China.

**SSWH12 - Describe the development and contributions of the Ottoman, Safavid, and Mughal empires**.

a. Describe the development and geographical extent of the Ottoman, Safavid, and the Mughal Empires.

b. Describe the cultural contributions of the Ottoman, Safavid, and Mughal Empires.