NEW YORK STATE STANDARD

NATIVE AMERICANS:
The physical environment and natural resources of North America influenced the development of the first human settlements and the culture of Native Americans. Native American societies varied across North America.

ESSENTIAL QUESTION:
How did early civilizations develop in America?

ENDURING UNDERSTANDINGS:
1. Geography influences the movement and interaction of different cultural groups.
2. The Iroquois Confederacy influenced the American Constitution.

I CAN STATEMENT:
I can explain what factors influenced the movement of early people in the land known as the Americas.
I can explain how the Iroquois Confederacy influenced our modern day government.

LANGUAGE OBJECTIVE:
1. To determine the central idea from an informational text
2. To determine the topic and supporting details from an informational text.
1. Did geography have an influence on ancient civilizations? Explain your answer. (Hint: Land Bridge)

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2. What was the Iroquois Confederacy?

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3. How did the Iroquois Confederacy help shape modern day government in America? Explain your answer.

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Scientists know that the first humans to enter North and South America traveled across the land.

1-We know this because early peoples left behind a trail of evidence, such as burial mounds, stone cities, and pottery.

By studying the physical remains, scientists are piecing together the story of the first Americans.

2-The science of studying the physical remains of the past is called *archaeology*.

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The first American left no written records to tell us where they came from.

Scientists have found evidence that suggests the first people reached the America’s sometime during the late Ice Age.

3-The Ice Age was a period of time, millions of years ago, when parts of the Earth was covered in ice.

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12,000 years ago, thick sheets of ice, called glaciers,

covered much of the Earth. The glaciers locked up water from the oceans and as a result, land appeared that was covered by water.

4- A glacier is a large body of ice formed in mountains or valleys and moves over time.
Scientists think that the first Americans were probably hunters. Traveling in small groups, they followed herds of wooly mammoths and bison over the land that was once covered by shallow water.

This land became a bridge that stretched between Siberia and Alaska. Scientists called this bridge, **the Land Bridge**.

5-The **the Land Bridge** is a tract of land that connects continents permitting the passage of animals and people.

**Early humans crossed the land bridge and settled in different continents on the Earth. When the ice melted they were force to live on the continent they were trapped on. This led to the development of different civilizations on each continent on Earth.**

The Land Bridge

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Learning to Farm

About 12,000 years ago temperatures rose around the globe. The glaciers melted and water covered the United States.

6-This rise in temperatures on earth that melted the glaciers was known as **global warming**. 

**Global warming** could be caused by the greenhouse effect. People adapted to their new conditions and were unable to cross again by boat for many centuries.

7-Many of the animals that humans hunted for food died out so they were forced to find new ways to survive.

Many hunters became gatherers. This led to the development of farming.

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The discovery of farming transformed life for many early humans. No longer did humans have to continue to search for food.

7-Humans could now grow their own food through farming

Humans used **irrigation** to help grow their crops.

8-Irrigation is a method to water crops by channeling water from rivers and streams.
Learning to Farm

People who farmed no longer had the hunt for food. Farming changed those people’s lives.

People learned to grow crops such as corn, beans, and squash.

They began to settle in permanent locations. They built the first permanent villages in the Americas to farm on.

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Learning to Farm

As more food was produced the populations of people in the America’s increased.

Once Native Americans produced a surplus, or extra food, they traded with others.

Cities grew and became centers of government and religious life.

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A civilization is an advanced culture in which people have developed cities, science, and industries. They were farmers that lived near the Gulf of Mexico. They grew a surplus, or extra food to support their large populations. Soon afterwards the first cities emerged.

Scientists have found large stone heads carved by the Olmecs. This one is nearly nine feet tall.

11-The earliest known civilization in the Americas were the Olmecs.

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Three Important Civilizations

Today, many experts are trying to develop a clear picture of the first American people. Other experts are analyzing the languages of Native Americans living today.

**Native Americans** are the descendants (or children) of the first people to reach the America thousands of years ago.

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By studying artifacts, archaeologists can learn much about early people. If they found an arrowhead that would suggest that people knew how to make weapons and hunt. Each object they found can provide valuable information about early cultures.

**13-Culture** is the entire way of life that people has developed.

It includes the behavior, customs, ideas, beliefs, and skills that people teach every new generation. From artifacts and other evidence, archaeologists form theories about the culture of an ancient people.

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The Mayas

Large canoes traveled along the Caribbean coasts of Mexico. These canoes belonged to the **Mayas** whose great cities disappeared more than 1500 years ago. Mayan people were traders. They traded jade, jewelry, cocoa beans and other goods.

**14-The Mayan’s were a great civilization from Mexico.**

The Mayan language forms the foundation for 20 modern languages we have today. They created the most accurate calendar known to modern times.

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Mayan priests invented a system of *hieroglyphics*, or 15-writing that used pictures to represent words and ideas.

About 850 the Mayans left their cities. Historians do not know why they left their cities. Many believe disease or overpopulation caused their disappearance.

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The Aztecs

To the North of the Mayan people the Aztecs built a powerful empire. Until the 1300’s the Aztecs wandered looking for food and shelter. The Aztecs built their capital in a place where their God said “the eagle perched on a cactus holding a snake,” according to their God. The Aztecs settled in a place we call today, Central Mexico.

- The Aztecs built their capital city and called it Tenochtitlan. Which is today, modern Mexico City. They constructed a system of causeways to connect their islands.

- A causeway is a raised roads made of packed earth.
Religion dominated the life of the Aztec people. The Sun God was very important to them. They sacrificed tens of thousands of prisoners to the Sun God each year.

By the 1500’s the Aztecs ruled millions of people from the Gulf of Mexico to the Pacific Ocean. The emperor has absolute power and was treated like a god. People were heavily taxed and the outrage over human sacrifices made the people later revolt. This led to the downfall of the Aztec culture.

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The Incas

South to the Aztecs was the **Incas**. The Incas united the largest empire in South America.

19-The Inca’s capital was Cuzco, located in the center of the empire in the Andes Mountains.

By 1492 the Inca Empire stretched more than 3000 miles along the coast of South America. The Incas were excellent farmers like the Aztecs and Maya’s.

They carved homes out of the mountainsides and grew more than 100 varieties of potatoes. The Incas were great engineers. They moved huge stones that weighed more than 200 tons and created temples and buildings.

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The Incas created more than 19,000 miles of roads to connect their Empire.

20-The Incas made some very important advances in medicine.

The Incas discovered that quinine could treat malaria. They performed successful brain surgery and found medicines to lessen pain.

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Like the Aztecs, the Inca’s worshipped the sun. They worshiped the sun and lined their temples with gold. The gold was called “the sweat of the Gods.” In the 1500’s the Spanish destroyed the Inca’s temples. The Spanish took their gold. The Inca’s were too weak from disease to fight back.

21- They created a quipu, or a string of knots used to record quantities.

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They lived in the land that stretched from the Appalachian Mountains to the we call Mississippi Valley. The first mounds discovered by archeologists were the burial grounds for their important leaders. Inside the mounds archaeologists found carved pipes and stone sculptures. Sometime between 700 and 1500, the people from Mississippi built a large city in present day Illinois. At this time as many as 30,000 people live there.

These people were called **Mound Builders**.

22-About 3000 years ago until the 1700’s people built mounds out of the earth.

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People of the Southwest

A far different culture emerged in the southern Utah, Colorado, and Northern Arizona. We called them the Anasazi. The Anasazi, or Ancestral Pueblo Culture, farmed the desert by using irrigation.

23-The Anasazi made large brick cliff dwellings buildings from sun dried bricks, called *adobe*.

These buildings were called *pueblos* or villages. A giant house would look like an apartment building made a bricks.

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The Anasazi made a network of roads that connected their villages. Traders carried cotton and sandals made from leaves. By 1300, the Anasazi people abandoned their villages.

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When Christopher Columbus reached the Americas in 1492 he thought he landed in the East Indies or the islands off the coast of Asia.

Columbus called the people he met “Indos” because he thought the people were from the East Indies.

People later used the term “Indos” Indians to refer to the Native Americans.

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In 1492 America had hundreds of different cultures living on the land, each culture had their own distinct language and culture. We will be learning about just a few of these cultures in our class.

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26- The Iroquois
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Many scholars classify Native Americans into several cultural areas, regions in which groups of people have a similar way of life.

Ways of Life

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27-The Cheyenne tribe used the buffalo for food and clothing.

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Some tribes grew their own food by farming.

Indian tribes traded with one another for goods not found in their own region or area.

They traded beads for currency, or money.

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Many Native Americans had a wide variety of beliefs. Yet they shared the same basic ideas.

29-All Native Americans had a great respect for nature.

Their prayers and ceremonies were designed to maintain a balance between people and the forces of nature.

They believed in unseen forces and spirits.

They honored these spirits that they thought acted like humans.

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Where climates were harsh natural resources were limited. Very often tribes had to travel from place to place to satisfy their basic needs.

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Many cultures areas stretched across the North America in the land we call the **Arctic.** In the far north, or in the Arctic the temperatures drop to 30 degrees below Fahrenheit (-30.) Snow was on the ground for most of the year. In the Arctic there are frozen seas and icy frozen plains.

31-In this land the Native American people called the **Inuits** lived.

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Because food was scarce, the Inuits did not live in the same place or year round. In winter they would fish through the ice. In the summer, they collected driftwood from the ocean to make tools and weapons. For most of the year Inuits lived in pit houses.

32-Pit houses were shelters dug into the ground that were covered with wood and animal skins.

In the winter, they built igloos.

33-An igloo was a house made up of snow and ice.

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33A-Inuits made boats out of animal skins. Inuits called the boat they made a kayak.

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In the Plateau Region, of north America, were the Utes (yootz) and the Shoshones (shoh shoh neez).

They collected pine nuts and dug roots in the dry soil. They hunted mountain sheep and rabbits. These Native Americans had few possessions beyond digging sticks, baskets, and the tools and weapons needed for hunting.

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In the Northwest the climate was better. Native American had warmer climates temperatures than the Inuits.

The Northwest Native Americans had plenty of fish, lumber from trees to make homes and boats. They had plenty of animals to hunt. Because the land was plentiful they usually stayed in one place for their entire lives.

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Families in the villages gained status by how much land they owned. Sometimes families competed against one another to improve their standing (or status) in the village.

Sometimes the families would hold a special ceremonial dinner to show off their wealth. This was called a **potlatch**.

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Cultures of the Southwest

This is the area we call Arizona and New Mexico today. In the Southeast the climate was also good. Many tribes inhabited the southeastern region of North America.

Among them were the Hopis and Zunis.

To protect themselves they built large apartment houses out of **adobe**, or sun dried brick.

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Native Americans were farmers. They held special ceremonies to insure a good rainfall and a good harvest.

In the Southwest, held ceremonies with masked dancers who represented spirits called Kachinas.

The Native Americans believed that the Kachinas had the power to bring good harvests.

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Centuries ago great grasslands extended across the Great Plains from the Rocky Mountains to the Mississippi River. There were few trees on the Great Plains. The land was flat. People from the plains built their homes from sod (dirt) or grass.

These people planted beans, squash and sunflowers. They hunted Buffalo, elk, deer, and big horned sheep. People of the Great Plains captured and trained horses for riding. Horses were not found up North. The Plains people became skilled riders.

39-They also used buffalo hides to make cone shaped tents called **teepees**.

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The Eastern Woodlands is made up of forests and open lands. The people who lived here hunted deer, moose, and other animals. They planted crops of corn, squash and pumpkins.

The most powerful people of the Eastern Woodlands region were called the Iroquois (Ih- uh kwoi). The were also known as the Haudenosaunee or the "People of the Longhouse". They live in the land we call present-day New York State.
A typical long house was about 50 feet long and 20 feet wide. A hallway, with small rooms on either side, ran the length of the long house. Each room was a home to one family. Families living across from each other shared a common fireplace and hallway.

The Iroquois called themselves house builders.

38-The Iroquois built *long houses* out of poles sided with bark.

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Women had a special place among the Iroquois. They owned all the property in the long house. Also, they were in charge of planting and harvesting crops. When an Iroquois man married he moved in with his wife’s family.

An Iroquois Long House.

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Women also held political power. They chose the sachems.

43-A sachem was the tribal chiefs or leaders.

The Iroquois included five tribal nations and they are:

44- Mohawk
   Seneca
   Onondaga
   Oneida
   Cayuga

These tribal nations made up the Iroquois Confederacy

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These five nations fought constantly. A religious leader inspired Hiawatha, a Mohawk, to organize a union of the five nations. The union or alliance was known as the **League of the Iroquois, or the Iroquois Confederacy.**

According to a legend the League of the Iroquois made this promise:

> “We bind ourselves together by taking hold of each other’s hands…Our strength shall be in union, our way the way of reason, righteousness and peace…

> Be of strong mind,

> O chiefs, Carry no anger and hold no grudges.”

What did the founders mean by this statement?

46-We will meet together to solve our problems.

In this way we can avoid a war.

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Each nation had one vote. The council could only take action if all nations agreed.

**The Iroquois Confederacy was an early form of representative government or a republic. In the Iroquois Confederacy, sachems made the decisions for the other tribal members. This is similar to American democracy in which we elect representatives to make laws for our country in congress.**

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Arabia’s location made it the major crossroads of the world. It stood in the middle of the trade routes that linked the Mediterranean world in the west with Asia in the east and Africa in the south.

Arab merchants played a large role in the growing trade world. The Muslim World

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These routes were called the Silk Road because it prized Chinese silks and had been carried westward along them for more than 2,000 years.

Muslim traders traveled the overland routes that crossed Asia and linked China and the Middle East. I can explain what influenced the movement of early people in the Americas. I can explain how the Iroquois Confederacy influenced modern day government.
This growth of trade was also linked to a new religion known as Islam.

50-This religion was founded by the prophet *Muhammad.*

The central teaching of Islam was the belief in one God, or Allah.

51-The Islamic bible or sacred book was called the *Quran.*

It revealed the exact word of God as revealed to Muhammad.

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Africa Trading States and Cultures

Trade routes played a large role in Africa. Long-distance trade routes crossed the vast Sahara, the desert linking West Africa and North Africa. They traded gold, fabrics, jewelry, salt and dried fish. Gold was traded from Zimbabwe and carried to the coastal cities of Kilwa and Sofala. Hardwoods and Ivory were carried across Africa to China.

Wealth from trade helped local East African rulers build strong city-states.

52- A city state is a large town that had its own government and controlled the surrounding countryside.

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Many rulers of African city-states became Muslims. This blend of the Muslim religion and African culture led to the development of a new language called **Swahili**, which blended Arabic words from local African languages.

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54-Most of West Africa is covered by a region of grasslands called the **savanna**.

Several rich trading kingdoms emerged from there. The kingdom of Mali rose about 1200 A.D. and flourished in about 200 years.
55-About 1000 A.D. the city of **Zimbabwe**, in East Africa, became a very powerful trading center in the world. Trade brought prosperity to a number of cities along the east coast of Africa.

56-Ghana became the first major trading center in West Africa. As trade for gold and salt increased in Ghana, the rulers of Ghana became very rich.

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Mansa Musa, the last great ruler of Timbuktu, made it a center for learning. In the 1400’s Songhai emerged as the most powerful kingdom.

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Family relationships were important to African cultures. Although family patterns differed, many people lived within an extended family, or kinship.

58-In an extended family, several generations live in one household. This included Grandparents, parents, children and sometimes aunts and uncles. Ties of kinship, or

59-sharing a common ancestor linked families together.

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China’s culture was different than the culture in the African Kingdoms.

Zheng He was the Chinese Emperor in 1402, and he was eager to trade with the world. He had a fleet of about 300 ships built and called them, Zheng He. Between 1405 and 1433, the Chinese fleet traded with ports in Southeast Asia, India, and Arabia.

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The fleet returned back with exotic good and animals, such as giraffes. The Chinese trade influenced many places. After Zheng He’s death China, the new emperor changed trading policies. He outlawed foreign trade and travel. The great fleet was left to rot in costal ports.

What do you think might have happened if the Zheng He fleet might have reached the America’s before Christopher Columbus?

We would be celebrating Zheng He Day instead of Columbus Day

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4. European Heritage

Jewish and Christian Traditions

In the period from A.D. 500 to 400 Judaism and Christianity played a large role in shaping Middle East society.

62-Judaism referred to the religious beliefs of the Israelites who lived more than 3,000 years ago. Later the Israelites became known as the Jews.

What major influences shaped European civilization?

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Jews believed in one God.

63-The history of the Jews is located in the sacred *Torah*.

Jews believed that every person must follow the

64-*Ten Commandments* or Jewish laws.

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About 2,000 years ago, a Jew named Jesus lived in a province of a Roman empire. Jesus taught that anyone, rich or poor, could achieve salvation or everlasting life. Christians organized a church with its own government and officials. The church sent out missionaries, people who spread the teachings of Christianity to Europe and Africa.

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Greek and Roman Traditions

Around 500 B.C. the civilization of the ancient Greece shaped Europe. They entered the golden age. Greek artists and writers created great masterpieces that are still admired today. Greek thinkers like Socrates and Aristotle valued human reason. They used reason to explain the world around them. Greek doctors tried to treat diseases using scientific methods. Greeks did not live in large empires; instead they lived in small city-states. In ancient Athens a Direct Democracy was created.

66- A Direct Democracy is a form of government in which ordinary citizens have the right to govern.

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The Roman Empire lasted about 500 years. Soon invaders attacked the Roman Empire and split Europe into many small warring kingdoms.

In 509 B.C. the Romans overthrew the Greek government and set up a republic. In a republic the citizens choose representatives to govern them.

67-Among the leaders of the Romans was Julius Caesar.

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Early Contracts

Many people learned to adapt their environment in the vast land we call today, the Americas. Soon in the late 1400’s many strangers came from lands located across the ocean.

68-One of the first people to discover America was **Christopher Columbus** in 1492.

Other Europeans soon followed in his footsteps arriving to the land of the Americas. Hundreds of years before Christopher Columbus the Vikings arrived in the Americas.

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In 1492, **Christopher Columbus** first landed on a small Caribbean Island. He met a people called the **Tainos**. Columbus had no respect for the people on the islands. He claimed the island for himself.

69-He forced the Tainos people to work in the mines, on ranches and Spanish households.

Within 100 years the Tainos people were destroyed. This type of action was repeated throughout American history.

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Europeans learned to use the Native American language. Such words as moose, chipmunks and raccoons came from the Native American languages. The Native Americans taught the Europeans how to survive. They showed the newcomers how to grow food and how to hunt for food. The Native Americans showed the Europeans new medicines unknown to the Europeans.

70-Europeans learned new ways to farm from the Native Americans.

They also learned of new foods such as corn, potatoes, beans, tomatoes, squash, peanuts, pineapples and berries.

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Trade Networks in Africa and Asia

Ibn Battuta was a scholar from North Africa who wanted to learn about the many lands and peoples of the Muslim world. He traded goods with Africa and the Middle East thus connecting these worlds.

For the first time far off lands began to become linked. Historians called this period of time the First Global Age.

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Most Europeans knew little about the lands beyond their small villages. Even map makers called the water around Europe “the sea of darkness.” They spoke about great tales of monsters living in the waters around Europe. We know today that these stories are untrue, back then people believed the stories about great darkness.

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During the **Middle Ages**, weak the European king’s and queens divided in their lands among powerful nobles.

73-These nobles had their own armies and court but still owed a loyalty to their king.

They were called *Lords*. This system of rule was called **Feudalism**. I can explain what influenced the movement of early people in the Americas. I can explain how the Iroquois Confederacy influenced modern day government.
Most life in Europe revolved around these Lords. The manor included the Lord’s castle, peasant’s huts, and surrounding villages or fields.

Most people were **serfs**, or peasants bound to the land for life.

**Serfs worked for the Lord and could not leave the land without permission.**

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During the Middle Ages Christians followed the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. This church had a great influence on everyone. Christian people referred to the Middle East as the Holy Land because Jesus had lived and died there.

75-From about 1100 to 1300, the Roman Catholic Church fought a series of religious wars to gain control of Holy Land. These wars were known as the **Crusades**.

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Trade brought about new knowledge. Arabian people taught battalion sailors have to use a new instrument called the **magnetic compass**.

Another useful instrument was the **astrolabe**

76-which helped sailors determine the latitude while at sea.

Europeans sail out to sea and make new discoveries.

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The crusaders did not regain the Holy Land but they traveled far beyond their small towns. Many ate strange foods, such as rice, oranges, and dates. Soon they began to trade with some merchants of the Middle East.

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Increased trade and travel made Europeans curious about other parts of the world. Scholars translated the works and ancient Greeks, Romans and Arabs.

77-Europeans made great discoveries in the areas of medicine, astronomy, and industry.

This burst of learning was called the **Renaissance**.

During the Renaissance trade increased prosperity so the rulers set out to increase their power. The kings sent out ships to discover the riches of Africa, Europe and Asia.

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1. Did geography have an influence on ancient civilizations? Explain your answer. (Hint: Land Bridge)
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2. What was the Iroquois Confederacy?
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3. How did the Iroquois Confederacy help shape modern day government in America? Explain your answer.
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