



**INSTITUTO CHAPULTEPEC
MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**SCHOOL YEAR 2009-2010
WORLD HISTORY**

EIGHT GRADE CONTENTS UNIT

BLOCK 1

UNIT 1

UNIT 1.1 FIRST CIVILIZATIONS: AFRICA ASIA (3200 B.C.–500 B.C.)

- I. Ancient Kingdoms of the Nile.
- II. Egyptian Civilization.
- III. Invaders, Traders, and Empire Builders.
- IV. Ancient Rome.

UNIT 1.2 EUROPEAN EMPIRES AND ABSOLUTISM

- I. England builds an Empire.
- II. Germanic States and The Austro-Hungarian Empire: Russia
- III. Consolidation of European States: Russia.

UNIT 2

2.1. ENLIGHTENMENT AND LIBERAL REVOLUTIONS

- I. Illustrated thought.
- II. Economic thought. From mercantilism to liberalism: its demands and assays.

2.1 INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTIONS

- I. Industrial Revolution in America and Europe.
- II. French Revolution: conflicts of the old society and causes of the revolution; stages of the revolution and the European conflicts; the Napoleon Age.
- III. Independence of the Iberian colonies in America: European happening and its effect in America; Mexican movement of independence; independence process in South America. Found of the new born nations.

BLOCK 2

UNIT 3

UNIT 3.1 APOGEE OF COLONIAL EMPIRES, THE RISE OF NEW
SUPERPOWERS AND THE COLONIAL WORLD

- I. The century of English dominance

II. Rise of new superpowers

- The North American continental expansion: The civil war and its consequences

3.2 THE NINETEENTH CENTURY - GREAT TRANSFORMATIONS

I. Transportation and distances

II. Industrial evolution and its effects

III. Education

IV. Great Scientifics changes

3.3 THE GREAT WAR AND SOCIAL REVOLUTIONS

I. World War I

II. A new technical revolution

III. The term between wars

BLOCK 3

UNIT 4

UNIT 4.1 WORLD WAR II

I. Past history

- War War II
- Spanish civil war

II. Evolution and consequences

- International alliances
- Evolution of the bellicose conflict
- Technology for war: Aviation, radar, the atomic bomb
- The Axis Forces redemption and the Peace Agreements
- Human costs and materials in the conflict
- The United Nations
- Forming blocks and the world map in 1950

BLOCK 4

UNIT 5

UNIT 5.1 RESTRUCTURING THE POST-WAR WORLD

I. The colonies become new nations

II. Ending of the Cold War and Communist. Ethnic and religious conflicts

III. Two superpowers face off: the military preparedness and the nuclear threat; war in Korean and Vietnam; conflicts in Middle East

IV. World Map in 1992

BLOCK 5

UNIT 6

UNIT 6.1 Economic, Technological and Cultural Changes

I. Demographic evolution and nature resources matters

- Population growth and its regional distribution
- City and country
- Natural resources overexploitation

II. Global economic and industrial development

- Economic and social inequality between countries
- Technological changes: microelectronics, and the use of new material

III. New communication media and global mass culture

- Cinema, radio and TV impulse
- International evolution of information technology

General Review

- I. Temporary scheme reinforce and historic sequences
- II. Happening and main characters location