Ms. Jamila Yearly Plan 2025-2026

27 August, 2025-October 3, 2025	October 4, 2025-January 14, 2026	January 18, 2026-March 18, 2026	March 29, 2026-June 9, 2026
Grade 8 Social Studies: Connections to the Arab World			
Unit 1: Introductory Unit -The Five themes of Geography (1 week) Standards : 3.8.a / 3.8.e / 3.8.h Unit 2: Geography of the Arab World (4 weeks) ● Country Research Project ● How Does Where We Live Influence How We Live ● Prehistoric Arabia ● Resource Middle East Geography Unit Standards : 3.8.a / 3.8.e / 3.8 g/ 2.8.a Unit 3: The Arab World: The Past (4 weeks) ● Culture ○ Culture: A Rich Mosaic ○ The Cradle of Civilization ○ A Bedouin's Life in the Desert ○ Arabic Language and Culture ○ Islamic Art ■ Tilemaker ● Important Places ○ The Lost City of Ubar ● Holidays ○ Middle Eastern Festivals Standards : 2.8.a /4.8.c	Unit 4: The Arab World: The Present (4 weeks) ● Governmental Systems ○ Tribes in Kuwait and the UAE ○ Tribes of Kuwait ○ The Role of the Ottoman and British Empires in the Arabian Gulf ○ Governments of the GCC Countries ○ Choosing the Capital of a Country ○ The Unification of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia ○ Operation Desert Storm ● Economics ○ Economic Development in the GCC Countries ○ Migration in the GCC ○ The Oil Economy ■ The Rise of Petroleum ■ Drilling Petroleum's Impact ■ Integrating a Bar Graph of Oil Producing Countries ○ Agriculture ○ Trade Standards: 6.8.b /6.8.d/6.8.j Unit 5: The Arab World: The Future (4 weeks) ● Natural Resources ○ Environmental Protection ● Equality ○ Citizen's Rights ○ Women's Rights ■ Fatima bint Mubarak: The Mother of the UAE ■ Women's Rights in Kuwait, Bahrain, and the UAE Standards: 7.8.c /6.8.c /2.8.e	Unit 6: The Renaissance (4 weeks) ● The Islamic Golden Age ● Islamic Achievements ● The Golden Age, The Legacy ● Golden Age of Islam Project ● Suleiman the Magnificent Standards : 2.8.a/ 2.8.a/4.8.f Unit 7: Scientific Revolution (4 weeks) ● Arabic/ Islamic Scientists ○ Science in the Arab World ○ Muslim Inventions that Shaped the Modern World ○ The Greatest Scientific Advances from the Muslim World ○ Arabic Roots of the Scientific Revolution ○ Top 10 Ancient Arabic Scientists Standards : 1.8.c /8.8.b	Unit 8: The Age of Exploration (4 weeks) ● Introduction: Age of Exploration in the Arabian Peninsula ● Reasons for Exploration ● Cost of European Exploration ● Heroes vs. Villains: Explorers of the New World ● Explorers ○ World Travelers ○ Ibn Buttuta ○ Marco Polo, Ibn Buttuta, Zheng He ○ European Explorer Project Standards : 1.8.b /2.8.a /3.8.c Unit 9: Media Literacy (4 weeks) ● Advertising ● Propaganda Standards:5.8.a /8.8.c