

## TOPICAL OUTLINE: Unit VII: The 20<sup>th</sup> Century Since 1945

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### Themes

- I. Cold War and the Collapse of the Soviet Union
- II. China
- III. Decolonization
- IV. The Middle East

Change  
 Culture and Intellectual Life  
 Human and Physical Geography  
 Movement of Peoples and Goods  
 Science and Technology  
 Political Systems  
 Economic Systems  
 Human Rights  
 Belief Systems  
 Citizenship  
 Interdependence

### Enduring Understandings

Students will understand:

- How the Cold War spurred and inhibited progress in the areas of culture, science and technology.
- The differing definition of human rights from different cultures and time periods.
- The different methods individuals have used to affect change.
- The causes and effects of the failure of communism in the USSR and Eastern Europe.
- The successes and failures of countries to maintain stability after independence.
- The trend toward greater global political, economic, and/or social interdependence.
- The historical roots of conflict and their impact on modern issues, people and places.
- The rise of extremism as a means of dealing with conflict and affecting change.
- The various advancements in science in technology and the positive and negative impacts upon people.
- The various impacts of globalization on both developed and emerging nations.

## Essential Questions

1. What causes a society to rise or fall?
2. How are some economic systems better than others?
3. Is technology a positive development on mankind?
4. Does power corrupt?
5. Who are the winners and losers in revolutions?
6. Is change good?
7. How does economic decision making become more global as the world becomes more interdependent?

## Targeted Skills

- Map Reading/Interpretation
- Timeline
- Chart Reading
- Vocabulary Development
- Art/Visual Analysis
- Essay Writing:
  - Thesis Statement
  - Paragraph Development
  - Document Analysis (summation, outside info, citation, grouping of documents within the essay, point-of-view, incorporating scaffolding questions into the essay)
  - On-Demand Essay Writing (timed, self-organized essay writing)

CCLS:	R1	W1	L1
	R2	W2	L2
	R3	W3	L3
	R4	W4	L4
	R5	W5	L5
	R6	W6	L6
	R7	W7	
	R8	W8	
	R9	W9	
	R10	W10	
	R11	W11	

## Sub Unit II: Communist China

**Terms:**

- People’s Republic of China
- Little Red Book
- Four Modernizations
- the Gate of Heavenly Peace
- Taiwan
- communes
- Tank Man
- Three Gorges Dam
- collective farms
- Great Leap Forward
- Tiananmen Square
- Beijing Olympics
- backyard furnaces
- the Red Guards
- one child policy

**People:**

- Jiang Jieshi (Chiang Kai-shek)
- Mao Zedong
- Deng Xiaoping

<b>Primary Sources/Resources</b>	See <a href="http://www.mysocialstudiesteacher.com/wiki">www.mysocialstudiesteacher.com/wiki</a> for lesson primary sources
<b>Teacher Created Lesson Plans</b>	See <a href="http://www.mysocialstudiesteacher.com/wiki">www.mysocialstudiesteacher.com/wiki</a> for lessons
<b>Thematic Essay NYS Assessment</b>	<p>Thematic Essay – Human Rights 06.09 – <b>Tiananmen Square</b></p> <p>Thematic Essay – Change: Philosophers and Leaders 01.06 – <b>Mao Zedong</b></p> <p>Thematic Essay – Change: Leaders 08.05 – <b>Mao Zedong</b></p> <p>Thematic Essay – Change: Political Events 01.05 – <b>Mao Zedong</b></p> <p>Thematic Essay – Economic Systems 08.04 – <b>China Since 1949</b></p> <p>Thematic Essay – Conflict 06.03 – <b>Tiananmen Square</b></p> <p>Thematic Essay – Change: Political Revolutions 01.03 – <b>Chinese Revolution (1949)</b></p> <p>Thematic Essay – Change: Individuals 08.02 – <b>Deng Xiaoping</b></p> <p>Thematic Essay – Change: Turning Points 08.01 – <b>Chinese Communist Revolution (1949)</b></p>

**Document Based Question  
NYS Assessment**

DocumentBased Question – Autocratic Rulers 01.08 – **Mao Zedong (3 Documents)**  
DocumentBased Question – Economic Systems 06.07 – **Communism (3 Documents)**  
Document Based Question – Human Rights Violations After WWII 06.02 – **Tiananmen Square (1 Document)**  
DocumentBased Question – Revolutions (Political) 01.01 – **Chinese Revolution (2 Documents)**

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