

## **ELEMENTARY WORLD HISTORY & GEOGRAPHY**

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In this class, we will explore the history of the world from some of the earliest civilizations to the modern era, using excellent literature for examples and context. We will read together in class, using maps to reference the areas we discover in our reading, and we will discuss the historical and geographical significance of the events which occur in the stories. For example, when we study the Renaissance and Leonardo da Vinci, we can read a novel about his *Mona Lisa*, and discuss the city-states in Italy, among other issues. We will also read about the Portuguese search for a water route to the Orient, which will prompt Columbus's voyage for Spain and his discovery of the American continents.

We will treat each major time period as a unit, and will include a literature, geography, and cultural component. We will test comprehension and retention of the information presented prior to moving on to the next unit, and we will have an overall review at the end of each semester to tie together all we have learned.

### **FEES:**

The cost for this class is \$50/month, with a \$50/semester supplies fee.