

Five Themes Of World History

	Theme	Definition	Questions for study
S	Social Structures	The development, organization, and maintenance of a society	<p>What are the gender roles? How is a society divided (class)? What are the racial and ethnic differences/ similarities? What law, customs, or structures are in place?</p>
P	Political Structures	The form of government or type of ruling system used to establish and maintain a society	<p>Who is the leader and how are they chosen? What form of government is used? Are there conflicts? What were the causes and effects?</p>
I	Interactions between humans and the environment	The way in which people and the environment interact and impact one another	<p>Where is this society located and why? How has the population grown or declined? What geographic landscape makes up the region? Have there been natural disasters?</p>
C	Cultural Interactions	The development and spread of cultural traits from one society to another	<p>What is the main religion? What innovations or technologies were developed? How does society express themselves? Art, music, writing?</p>
E	Economic Structures	The creation, expansion, and interaction of a society's economic system	<p>What is their economy based on? Trade, agriculture? What is the labor system? What form of currency do they use or accept?</p>