African participation in the classical Mediterranean, Early Christianity in Africa, the influence and leadership of African churches and church fathers.

- x Identify and describe networks of trade around the Mediterranean
- x Demonstrate knowledge of cultural exchanges between the civilizations of North Africa and the civilizations around the Mediterranean and the Near East through the end of antiquity
- x Explain the impact of Africans on Early Christianity

African civilizations and the Rise of Islam: The origins of Islam, Bridging the Sahara, Trade and the expansion of Islam into West Africa

- x Identify empires in West Africa
- x Discuss the Africanization of Islam

East Africa, Islam and the Indian Ocean World: East Africa before Islam, Creation of Swahili culture, Indian Ocean trade networks and East African city-states

- x Describe connections between East Africa and Dar-al Islam
- x Discuss the urbanization of the Swahili coast

Africa, Slavery and the Atlantic World: Systems of slavery in Africa, Europe and the New World, Economic systems in the Atlantic World, Slavery in Africa and African responses to European slave traders,

- x Identify major decolonization movements and conflicts
- x Compare strategies for state-building among African nations
- x Identify events that have their origin in colonialism.

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