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| **Welcome to Mr. Valine’s 7th grade social studies class!**  In this class we will study the many developments of human culture from approximately 300 C.E. (A.D.) to 1500 across many locations on Earth. Some of these include Rome, Byzantium, Western Europe, the Middle-East, West Africa, China, Japan, and the Americas. The primary textbook is *Medieval and Early Modern Times*.We will also use the *History Alive* textbook for seventh grade in class along with many supplemental resources.  **Materials**  Students will be expected to come to class everyday prepared to learn. They must bring with them a binder with a tabbed section for social studies, binder paper, a writing utensil, and a bell ringer book. Other materials may be needed throughout the school year.  Personal responsibility is critical to success. Students are required to keep all work organized in their binders until it is due.  **Contact**  Email is the best way to contact me. I will make every attempt to respond promptly, but please allow up to 24 hours for a reply. Feel free to contact me for any reason at [bvaline@campbellusd.org](mailto:bvaline@campbellusd.org)  My teacher website will also have information and printable documents for homework and other assignments.  School phone: 408-341-7000 x5104 | **Expectations**   1. Arrive to class on time and ready to learn. 2. Do not disrupt the learning of yourself or others. 3. One speaker at a time. 4. No negative comments or hurtful language. 5. No hats, drinks, or food including gum and any other items not allowed at school as described in the student handbook.   **Evaluation**  Grades are determined by class participation, daily homework, tests, quizzes, and projects. Grades are updated every two weeks on Powerschool.  **Absences**  Students are required to make up any work during an absence except for bell ringers. They will have one day to make up for each day absent from school.  **Names**  Students are required to put their first and last name on all papers and digital work. They also need to include their period and the date.  All assignments and work will also need to be titled accordingly.  **Late Work**  It is absolutely necessary for students to turn in their work on time. Any work turned in after the due date will receive a 10% deduction from the total assignment. |