# What is Social Studies?

## Topics covered by social studies.

Geography

History

Culture

World

Inventions/technology

Religion

People/biographies

Government

Economics/trade

## Why study social studies?

Understanding the origin of things

Appreciating different cultures

Learning from our successes and mistakes

Making sense of the present

Understanding problems we face

Trying to make a better world or learning how to live better

## Summary

Social studies is discipline that examines human interactions over time to understand the present and to inform future action.