

Determine the thing that can and shall be done, and then we shall find the way.

~ Abraham Lincoln

This 6 week plan is offered as a focus as you prepare for the exam. I recommend these resources because they are overviews of the subject. All of the resources should be used to prepare for all levels of the exam, EC-6, 4-8. 7-12; however * denotes resources geared for secondary content.

WEEK ONE: American History

Resource: Everything You Need to Ace American History in One Big Fat Notebook (Philip Bigler)

Resource: A Young People's History of the United States (Howard Zinn)

WEEK TWO: Government

Resource: The Words We Live By: An Annotated Guide to the Constitution (Linda Monk)

Resource: Spark Notes <http://www.sparknotes.com/history/>

*Resource: 50 Political Ideas (Ben Dupre)

WEEK THREE: World Geography

Resource: Everything You Need to Know About Geography Homework (Anne Zeman and Kate Kelly)

WEEK FOUR: World History

Resource: Everything You Need to Ace World History in One Big Fat Notebook (Ximena Vengoechea)

*History: A Very Short Introduction (John H. Arnold)

WEEK FIVE: Economics

Resource: Economics for Everybody (Jim Stanford)

*Resource: Cartoon Intro Economics (Grady Klein)

*Resource: 30 second-Economics (Donald Marron)

WEEK SIX: Texas History

Resource: The Story of Texas (John Edward Weems)

Overall Content Resource

~Social Studies Content for Elementary and Middle School Teachers (Penelope Fritzer)

~Multiple links including Jeopardy games: <https://www.coe.unt.edu/sites/default/files/564/Core%20Subjects%20EC-6%20Resources.pdf>

~TEXES Generalist EC-6 (Core Subjects) Domain III: Social Studies Boost

THE PLAN

1. Review content area competency found in TeXes preparation manual.
2. Determine your learning style & match your process to your style. (i.e. visual... make graphic organizers to learn the information)
3. Review flashcards, K-12 glossary, & K-12 Biographies for each content area.
4. Review the recommended resources of the content area
5. Review content from the week before.
6. Take a practice test
7. Rinse and repeat!

Hints for Success:

Schedule time to study like it is a class

3 hours a week is a good starting place.

Study the way you learn.

Don't cram

Effort= Results

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