# SSWH.D: Post-Classical Era

## AKS 32: Analyze impact of the Byzantine and Mongol empires between 450 CE/AD and 1500 CE/AD

32a: Describe the relationship between the Roman and Byzantine Empires: describe the significance of Justinian's law code, Theodora and the role of women, Byzantine art and architecture, and Hagia Sophia.

32b: Analyze the impact Byzantium had on Kiev, Moscow, and the Russian Empire.

32c: Explain the Great Schism (East-West Schism) of 1054 CE/AD.

32d: Explain the decline of Byzantium and the impact of the fall of Constantinople in 1453 CE/AD.

32e: Describe the impact of the Mongols on Russia, China, and the Middle East; include the role of Chinggis (Genghis) Khan in developing the Mongol Empire, and the development of trade (including the Silk Roads), and European observations through the writings of Marco Polo.

## AKS 33: Examine the political, economic, and cultural interactions within the medieval Mediterranean world between 600 CE/AD and 1300 CE/AD

33a: Analyze the origins of Islam and the growth of the Islamic Empire.

33b: Understand the reasons for the split between Sunni and Shi'a Muslims.

33c: Assess the economic impact of Muslim trade routes to India, China, Europe and Africa (Trans-Saharan and Indian Ocean).

33d: Identify the contributions of Islamic scholars in science, math, and geography (Ibn Battuta).

33e: Analyze the relationship among Judaism, Christianity, and Islam.

## AKS 34: Describe the diverse characteristics of early African societies before 1500 CE/AD

34a: Describe the development and decline of the Sudanic kingdoms (Ghana, Mali, Songhai); include the roles of Sundiata, and the pilgrimage of Mansa Musa to Mecca.

34b: Describe the trading networks and distribution of resources by examining trans-Saharan trade in gold, salt, and slaves; include the Swahili trading cities.

34c: Understand the blending of traditional African beliefs with new ideas from Islam and Christianity and their impact on early African societies.

## AKS 35: Describe the diverse characteristics of societies in Central and South America

35a: Explain the rise and fall of the Mayan, Aztec, and Inca Empires.

35b: Compare and contrast the Mayan, Aztec, and Inca societies; include religion, culture, economics, politics, technology, and geographic features.