

SOCIAL STUDIES SKILLS

What are Social Studies Skills?

Social Studies Skills are those skills that help a student better understand the world around him or her. Some examples of useful Social Studies Skills are:

- Understanding Map Skills
- Understanding Primary and Secondary Sources
- Understanding Different Points of View



Map Skills

A drawing of what Mapmakers, known as cartographers, create is a map. The plan of the Earth on a map key is also used to show knowledge about the Earth.



PREVIEW





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Above is a map. Symbols are used for real objects on the **map key**. The map key will give you more



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-  **Mountains**
-  **National Capital**
-  **State Capital**
-  **City**

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Primary and Secondary Sources

Firsthand accounts from the time the event takes place are called primary sources. One example of a primary source is a speech written in a famous person's handwriting. Another example of a primary source is a **journal** entry. An **autobiography** is the story of a person's life written by the person himself. An autobiography is also an example of a primary source. Facts from primary sources are put together to create a **secondary source**. One example of a secondary source is a Social Studies textbook.



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Different Poi

A person's ideas or her **point of view**. A person's **experiences**. Listening to and trying to understand another person's point of view will help you to be more open-minded about the world and to learn more about the world and the people in it.