Topic:	Using Models to Understand History	Date:	
	A model is a	of an object or	
	phenomenon that		
	with the object or phenomenon.		
	- People use models to help them		
	the world around them. Models can help people		
	about the future and can also		
	for investigation.		
	- In particular,		
	although individuals only live a relatively short time, for long periods of time, even thousands of years. This is known as		
			- Models also
	is important,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	(After all, this course is called "Social	"- the study of society.)	
	• are a physica	al of an	
	-They can be	They are often	
	-Examples:		
	• Models (also known as	Models) are	
	the collection of		
	you have about a topic.		
	-They include		
	about the topic.		
	-Ex:	 	
	• models are models that		
		-They	of an object
	or phenomenon and		
	-Visual models can be		
	-Example:		

Topic:	Using Models to Understand History, continued.		
	What makes a good model? -The test for a model is whether it		
	If the modelwith reality,		
	-Changing existing models can be difficult because		
	tend towhat they believe		
	to be true and		
	an existing model. (This is called "".)		
	-As a result, when conflicting information is observed, it may be If the conflict persists,		
	the model may beto help the new observations		
	fit the old model. Eventually, a model can be		
	completely, but this is		
Summary	of Notes:		