

**Does social studies matter?**

**Reflection**

**Directions:** Examine each of the reasons below that we have looked at for the importance of social studies. For each one, circle whether you think that is important or not and complete at least a strong 2 sentence response, justifying why. Please provide strong detail in complete sentences. **Provide examples to illustrate your points. Important note: 1. You will not lose points just because you disagree with any statement; only provide good evidence.**

1. Social studies is a window into the past. (Important or not)- circle one

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2. Social studies keeps us informed about current events. (Important or not)- circle one

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3. Social studies helps us appreciate multiple perspectives. (Important or not)- circle one

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4. Social studies helps strengthen critical thinking skills. (Important or not)- circle one

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5. Social studies helps us to apply information from the past to help solve present problems. (Important or not)- circle one

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6. Social studies gives us an understanding of other people and cultures. (Important or not)- circle one

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7. Social studies inspires us. (Important or not)- circle one

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