G-PERSIA

G-PERSIA is an acronym we will use for the seven concepts covered in Social Studies throughout the school year.

G - Geography - climate, nature, landforms, plants, animals, environment, natural phenomena or disaster

P - Political – leaders, types of government, laws, punishment, wars, conflicts

E - Economic – currency, business, trade

R - Religion – God or gods, church structure, rituals

S - Society – family structure, common customs, community, celebrations

I - Intellectual – education, science, new technology, invention

A - Aesthetics/Art – poetry, literature, painting, sculpture, nature, natural beauty
Example of how to use G-PERSIA in writing an analysis of vocabulary terms:

1. Look at the G-PERSIA acronym.
2. Read the definition of the vocabulary term.
3. Look for context clues to determine which G-PERSIA concept(s) best fit the vocabulary term.
4. Write 3-5 sentences that explain how or why the vocabulary term was significant in one of those seven G-PERSIA concepts.

RENAISSANCE: (Intellectual, Religion, Society, and Aesthetics/Art): The Renaissance was a period of time when people in Europe began to explore new ideas and to learn new things. Events like the Black Death caused people to question God and to begin to look for new answers. People began to see value in themselves and their ideas. People also used this new learning to shape literature and artistic expression. All of these changes were significant in re-shaping European culture.