

## Grade 7 Unit 1 Standards-Based Worksheets

District of Columbia Public Schools – Social Studies

### STANDARD

7.1.2 Locate human communities that populated the major regions of the world and identify how humans adapted a variety of environments.

#### Concepts:

- communities
- regions
- humans
- environment

#### Skills:

- locate (human communities, regions)
- identify (how humans adapted)

#### Big Ideas:

- The use of fire and tools allowed humans to settle outside of the African continent.
- Humans adapted to their environments in a variety of ways, depending on the natural resources available.
- Early humans eventually began to abandon hunting and gathering for the domestication of agriculture and animals.

#### Essential Questions:

- Why did humans settle outside of the African continent?
- How did early humans choose where to settle?
- How did humans adapt to their new environments?
- Why did some societies become hunters and gathers and others become sedentary farmers?

#### Engaging Scenario:

You have been hired by the [National Geographic](#) to write a freelance article that compares and contrasts two Paleolithic human communities on two different continents. Your article will focus on adaptation to the environment and will include pictures and maps.