Determine the thing that can and shall be done, and then we shall find the way. ~Abraham Lincoln

This 6 week plan is offered as a focus as you prepare for the exam. I recommend these resources because they are overviews of the subject. All of the resources should be used to prepare for all levels of the exam, EC-6, 4-8, 7-12; however * denotes resources geared for secondary content.

**WEEK ONE: American History**

Resource: Everything You Need to Ace American History in One Big Fat Notebook (Philip Bigler)

Resource: A Young People’s History of the United States (Howard Zinn)

**WEEK TWO: Government**

Resource: The Words We Live By: An Annotated Guide to the Constitution (Linda Monk)


*Resource: 50 Political Ideas (Ben Dupre)

**WEEK THREE: World Geography**

Resource: Everything You Need to Know About Geography Homework (Anne Zeman and Kate Kelly)

**WEEK FOUR: World History**

Resource: Everything You Need to Ace World History in One Big Fat Notebook (Ximena Vengoechea)

*History: A Very Short Introduction (John H. Arnold)

**WEEK FIVE: Economics**

Resource: Economics for Everybody (Jim Stanford)

*Resource: Cartoon Intro Economics (Grady Klein)

*Resource: 30 second-Economics (Donald Marron)

**WEEK SIX: Texas History**

Resource: The Story of Texas (John Edward Weems)

**Overall Content Resource**

~Social Studies Content for Elementary and Middle School Teachers (Penelope Fritzer)
THE PLAN

1. Review content area competency found in TeXes preparation manual.
2. Determine your learning style & match you process to your style. (i.e visual... make graphic organizers to learn the information)
3. Review flashcards, K-12 glossary, & K-12 Biographies for each content area.
4. Review the recommended resources of the content area
5. Review content from the week before.
6. Take a practice test
7. Rinse and repeat!

Hints for Success:

Schedule time to study like it is a class
3 hours a week is a good starting place.
Study the way you learn.
Don't cram
Effort= Results

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