

**Title:** Introduction to Nepal and the Study Guide

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**Grades:** 6-12

**Subjects:** Social Studies

**Time Required:** One period

**Objective:** To provide students with baseline knowledge of Nepal and its people.  
  
To introduce the Nepal Study Guide to your students

**Benchmarks:** Soc.II.MS.1.1 Locate and describe the diverse places, cultures, and communities of major world regions  
  
Soc.II.HS.1.1 Describe how major world issues and events affect various people, societies, places and cultures in different ways

**Materials Required:** “Destination: Nepal” Video from Peace Corps / Coverdell World Wise Schools  
MSUGlobalAccess Nepal Country Page  
Peace Corps Nepal Country Overview  
Fulbright-Hays Nepal Study Tour Slide Show

**Procedures:**

- Show the Destination Nepal Video (14 minutes)
- Handout the Nepal Overview from MSU Global Access-  
-Review key country statistics with students (12 minutes)
- Show MSU Fulbright-Hays Nepal Study Tour slide show, 2003 (12 minutes)

The MSU slide show will explain the purpose of the tour and also introduce the participants and the topic they chose for the study guide.

**Assessment:** Ask each student to imagine him or her self as a Fulbright scholar in Nepal. Ask them each to reflect for a moment and then write they would choose as their topic of study and why (in a couple of sentences). Ask students to share their responses and reasons for their choices.

**Enrichment:** Share with students which additional Study Guide units this class will be working on.

**Resources:**

[“Destination: Nepal” Video from Peace Corps / Coverdell World Wise Schools](http://isp.web.ur.msu.edu/Nepal.wmv)  
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[MSUGlobalAccess Website Nepal Country Page](http://www.msuglobalaccess.net/geo/asia/country.php?subGeoID=101)  
<http://www.msuglobalaccess.net/geo/asia/country.php?subGeoID=101>

[Peace Corps Nepal Country Guide](http://www.peacecorps.gov/index.cfm?shell=learn.wherepc.asia.nepal)  
<http://www.peacecorps.gov/index.cfm?shell=learn.wherepc.asia.nepal>

[Fulbright-Hays Nepal Study Tour Slide Show](http://www.isp.msu.edu/nepal/nss/index_lay1.php)  
[http://www.isp.msu.edu/nepal/nss/index\\_lay1.php](http://www.isp.msu.edu/nepal/nss/index_lay1.php)