Iran

Social Studies

Eighth Grade
Map of Iran and the Middle East
Iran

http://www.iranmap.com/
Land and Climate

http://uk.geocities.com/iranwal/Iran-Lute_Desert.jpg
Resources

- Petroleum (oil)
- Natural Gas
- Coal
- Chromium
- Copper
- Iron ore
- Lead
Iranian People

- There are many religions represented in Iran. Most people are Muslim, but there are a few Zoroastrians, Jews, Christians, and Baha’ists.

http://photos.igougo.com/images/p330853-Iran-Mosque_Jameh_Yazd.JPG
There are a great variety of languages spoken in Iran. Some of the most common are:

- Persian
- Turkic
- Kurdish
- Luri
- Balochi
Before the Iranian Revolution of 1979...

- Iran was ruled by a shah, which is like a king.
- The United States supported the shah.
- The shah tried to improve Iran by building roads and increasing education, but he did not allow Iranians to express disagreement with him.

http://www-tc.pbs.org/wnet/wideangle/shows/iran/images/photo5
During and after the Iranian Revolution of 1979...

- The shah left Iran and would never return. Later, he moves to the United States for medical reasons.
- The full name of Iran becomes “The Islamic Republic of Iran”.
- Iran has an Islamic constitution.

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