Study Questions

Units on Ghana Core Cultural Values and Letter Writing.
How can students improve on their writing skills in this unit?
What is one way that students can learn about the Ghanaian culture from their counterpart peers in Ghana?

Units -Naming and the Importance of Names--Akan Traditions
Who are the Akans of Ghana?
In what geographic areas of Ghana do the Akans occupy?
What is the primary language of The Akan people?

What is the Akan naming ceremony? Who performs the naming of babies?
What is in a name, how are names assigned in the Akan culture? What do names signify in the Akan culture?

Who is entitled to perform the naming ceremony? What is the kra den?
How is the soul name determined? What is the naming ceremony called?
How and when does the naming ceremony begin and end? What does the ceremony entail?

Dance.
Through what other activities can US students explore to understand or learn about aspects of the Ghana culture? (Dance, language, cultural symbols, etc)

Unit on Ghanaian Folklore, Language and Writing. Understanding culture through folklore.
How similar or different are the elements of Ghanaian and American folklore?
How significant are Anansi stories in Ghanaian society especially among the Asante?
How are Anansi stories utilized in educating children in Ghana?

Unit on The Kente cloth.
What is the history of the Kente cloth?
What is the traditional method of weaving the Kente cloth? What do the colors and patterns represent?
What are the meanings of the Ashanti (Adinkra) symbols?
What occasions warrant the wearing of Kente cloths?
What is the significance of the Kente cloth for the African personality?