

5th Grade
SOCIAL STUDIES YEAR AT A GLANCE

1st 6 weeks

Concept	Topics
Citizenship	US Symbols, National celebrations and landmarks
Geography	Geographic tools, map skills, regions, landmarks
Exploration	Settlement patterns, European colonization, causes and effects of settlements.

2nd 6 Weeks

Concept	Topics
Colonization	Economic patterns and industry, freedom of religion, accomplishments of significant individuals, free enterprise system, systems of government
Causes of American Revolution	Events leading to and during, Founding Fathers and patriot heroes

3rd 6 weeks

Concept	Topics
Revolutionary War	Motivations and contributions of Founding Fathers and Patriots during war, results of war, issues that lead to creation of government, elements and purposes of Declaration of Independence.
Government	Contributions of individuals who created Constitution, purpose of Constitution outlined in preamble, reasons for Bill of Rights, basic functions of three branches of government, system of checks and balances, rights guaranteed by amendments in the Bill of Rights

4th 6 weeks

Concept	Topics
Westward Expansion	Causes and effects of War of 1812, reasons people moved west, events and concepts associated with Westward movement, challenges / opportunities / contributions of American Indian and immigrant groups, effects of migration and limited resources on growth of U.S., patterns of settlements effected by geographic factors
Industrial Revolution	Changes resulting from Industrial Revolution leading to conflict, how industry and machines changed American way of life, reasons for locations of cities throughout U.S., examples of benefits of free enterprise system, explain how supply and demand effects consumers, evaluate effects of supply and demand, impact of mass production, specialization, and division of labor on economic growth.

5th 6 weeks

Concept	Topics
Civil War	Identify causes and effects of Civil War, various amendments to the Constitution,

6th 6 weeks

Concept	Topics
20 th Century to Present	Analyze various issues and events of 20 th century, accomplishments of individuals and groups of the 20 th century, immigration during the 20 th century,