



GRADE 5 SOCIAL STUDIES - UNITED STATES HISTORY

Social Studies Pacing Guide

Unit 4: Manifest Destiny

Time: 6 Weeks

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Revised

Universal Generalizations	Unit Understandings	Student-Friendly TEKS	Topics/Content	Unit Questions
<p>Sometimes people are willing to move to improve their lives; sometimes they have to.</p>	<p>Americans were willing to endure hardships in order to acquire land and increase their economic opportunities.</p> <p>concepts: migration, push/pull factors</p>	<p>I can explain why settlers moved west. (5.4B)</p> <p>I am able to name the various cultures who settled the west and summarize their contributions to our national identity. (5.23c)</p> <p>I can identify and explain how geographic features influenced the location of economic activities in the west (5.14b)</p>	<p>Motives for Moving West</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land Resources/markets Religious freedom <p>The Roots of Manifest Destiny</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Louisiana Purchase Lewis and Clark Sacagawea <p>vocabulary: pioneer, frontier, Louisiana Purchase, Wilderness Road</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In what ways were people looking to improve their lives by expanding westward? Why was the Lewis & Clark Expedition so valuable and important? What important information did we gain from their expeditions? Were the results of Manifest Destiny fair for everyone? Why or why not?
<p>Greed and selfish ambition often cause people to ignore the needs of others.</p>	<p>The belief of Manifest Destiny benefited the new American nation while destroying Native American societies.</p> <p>concepts: economic growth, frontier</p>	<p>I can compare and contrast how the Native Americans and the settlers felt about Manifest Destiny. (5.25B)</p>	<p>Impact of Westward Expansion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Native American Removal Economic Growth Railroads, canals, cotton gin, mechanical reaper, national road Significant People <p>vocabulary: reservation, Indian Removal Act, Trail of Tears, suffrage, nationalism, Monroe Doctrine</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Why were the pioneers willing to risk their lives to settle the West? What factors contributed to removing Indians off their lands? What did the Monroe Doctrine say about American's resolve to defend the Americas from further colonization?
<p>People will often seek out new opportunities that will help them survive and improve their way of life.</p>	<p>Manifest Destiny was the belief that the expansion and settlement of American territory to the Pacific Ocean was destined to happen.</p> <p>concepts: expansion, Manifest Destiny, frontier, territory</p>	<p>On a U. S. map, I can identify and label the territorial acquisitions that resulted from Westward Expansion. (5.4C)</p> <p>I can describe the different features of the regions of the U.S. and what changes happened because of where people settled. (5.7A)</p>	<p>Westward Expansion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Texas Revolution The Mexican War The California Gold Rush Territorial Acquisitions Oregon Trail, other Western trails <p>vocabulary: annex, expedition, wagon train, gold rush, Forty-Niners, mountain men, discrimination</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How did conflicts with other nations lead to further land acquisition and expansion? How did expansion lead to the inclusion of several new diverse cultures into the American experience?