

Social Studies: Grade 6

| UNIT/ Weeks | Timeline/Topics | Essential Questions |
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| 6 | <p><u>Founding a New Nation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Articles of Confederation • Constitutional Convention • New Constitution • Great Compromise • Bill of Rights • Three Branches of Government • Federalism • The Constitution and Government Today • Modern Political Action | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why do people form governments? • How do new ideas change the way people live? • How do governments change? |
| 6 | <p><u>Washington-Madison</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Washington as President • Adams as President • Jefferson and the Louisiana Purchase • Lewis and Clark • Madison and the War of 1812 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the characteristics of a leader? • Why does conflict develop? • How do governments change? • How does geography influence the way people live? |
| 6 | <p><u>Building a New Nation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Missouri Compromise • Monroe Doctrine • Indian Removal to Reservations • Mexican-American War • Manifest Destiny • Trails to the West • Gold Rush & California | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How does geography influence the way people live? • Why does conflict develop? • What are the consequences when cultures interact? • How do new ideas change the way people live? |
| 6 | <p><u>North and South and Social Reform</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Industrial Revolution • Slavery • The Abolitionists • The Women's Movement • Reform in the 21st Century | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How does technology and new ideas change the way people live? • How do people adapt to their environment? • Why do people make economic choices? • Why do societies change? |
| 6 | <p><u>Civil War</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Challenges to Slavery | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why does conflict develop? |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Abraham Lincoln• Comparing and Contrasting North & South• Impact of the Battles• Emancipation Proclamation• Role of Women and Minorities• Secession of States• Culture | |
| 6 | <p><u>The Reconstruction Era</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Impact of Reconstruction• President Johnson and Impeachment• Changes in Politics, Society, and Culture• Jim Crow Laws | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How do new ideas change the way people live? |