

Social Studies Syllabus

Chapter# 1 The Places We Live

Students will learn about the following:

Lesson #1 What is a Community?

Lesson #2 Kinds of Communities

Chapter #2 Our Land and Resources

Students will learn about the following:

Lesson #1 Earth's Land and Water

Lesson#2 Our Countries Geography

Lesson #3 Communities and Resources

Lesson#4 Mexico City

Chapter#3 Old and New Communities

Students will learn about the following:

Lesson#1 The Navajo

Lesson#2 The Yurok

Lesson#3The Cherokee

Lesson# 4 Haudenosaunee

Chapter #4 Communities in History

The students will learn about the following:

Lesson# 1 Explores Arrive

(Focus on the first European explores to come to North America)

Lesson#2 Colonies in America

(Focus on the first English and Spanish colonies)

Lesson #3 Becoming a Country

(Explains how the colonies broke away from British rule and formed a new country)

Lesson # 4 Canada

(Focus on how our neighbor, Canada, is alike and different from the United States)

Map Skills

Chapter # 5 Newcomers Settle

The students will learn about the following:

Lesson#1 Settlers in St. Louis

(This lesson focuses on the founding and growth of St. Louis)

Lesson#2 Moving West

(This lesson focuses on the development and impact of new forms of transportation during the 1800's)

Chapter # 6 People from Many Places

The students will learn about the following:

Lesson #1 Coming to America

(This lesson focuses on slavery and immigration, including the cultural traditions each immigrant group brought to the United States)

Lesson#2 Brazil

Chapter#7 Being an Active Citizen

The students will learn about the following:

Lesson#1 Citizens Make a Difference

Lesson#2 Rights and Responsibilities

Chapter #8 Our Government

The students will learn about the following:

Lesson#1 Local Government

(Focus on how citizens participate in local governments and what local government does)

Lesson#2 State Government

(Focus on the three branches of state government)

Lesson#3 National Government

(Focus on the three branches of the U.S. government and some U.S. symbols and monuments)

Lesson#4 Nations Work Together

(Focus on the ways in which the United States works with other nations around the world)

Chapter #9 Economics Every Day

Lesson #1 Using Money

Lesson#2 Making Choices

Chapter#10 Communities and Trade

Lesson#1 Who are Producers

Lesson #2 Making Goods

Trade Around the World

Map Skills

Chapter#11 Looking at Culture

Lesson#1 Culture in a Community

(Focus on describing the different aspects of culture)

Lesson#2 Russia

(Focus on culture and traditions)

Map Skills

Chapter #12 Holidays and Heroes

Lesson # 1 Cultural Holidays

(Focus on culture and religious holidays)

Lesson# 2 National Holidays

(Focus on reasons for celebrating holidays)

Lesson#3 Our Heroes

(Focus on describing the lives of American heroes who worked for freedom)

*Students will be required to hand in 2 projects for the first semester and 2 projects for the second semester. The teacher will send information on how the project must be done and when it needs to be turned in. After each Chapter the students will also have a Test Preparation followed by a Chapter Assessment.