

4th Grade Year-At-A-Glance

Unit	America the Beautiful-How does geography influence human activity?	Early America-How do exploration and colonization change populations, boundaries, and land?	Governing a New Nation-How can conflict and compromise change a nation?	Westward Expansion-How did westward migration affect society and progress?	Progress and Change-How did American progress affect government and the economy?	Impact of Technology-How has technology impacted the way that people live and interact?
Essential standards	<p>4.5.1 Compare and contrast the distinguishing physical characteristics of the five regions of the United States.</p> <p>4.5.2 Analyze how physical characteristics of a regions shape its economic development</p> <p>4.6.1 Illustrate how natural processes have created and/or changed the physical characteristics of places in the United States.</p> <p>4.6.2 Describe the human impact on the land and bodies of water of the five regions of the United States.</p>	<p>4.2.1 Explain how early explorations affected the expansion of boundaries and development in the United States.</p> <p>4.2.3 Explain the voluntary migration of people and its significance in the development of the boundaries of the United States.</p> <p>4.5.2 Analyze how physical characteristics of a region shape its economic development.</p> <p>4.5.3 Identify and explain how the physical characteristics of a region influenced human settlement</p> <p>4.9.2 Identify examples of human, natural, and capital resources and explain how these resources are used to produce goods and provide services.</p>	<p>4.7.3 Identify and summarize significant changes that have been made to the United States Constitution through the amendment process.</p> <p>4.7.4 Differentiate between the structure and function of the three branches of government.</p> <p>4.2.2 Cite evidence to support the key contributions and influence of people in the history of the United States</p> <p>4.2.4 Draw conclusions about the relationship of significant events in the history of the United States to the expansion of democracy in the United States.</p> <p>4.7.1 Identify and summarize significant changes that have been made to the United States Constitution through the amendment process</p>	<p>4.2.1 Explain how early explorations affected the expansion of boundaries and development in the United States.</p> <p>4.2.3 Explain the voluntary migration of people and its significance in the development of the boundaries of the United States.</p> <p>4.3.1 Explain how inventions and new processes affected the lives of people, migration, and the economy of regions of the United States.</p> <p>4.5.2 Analyze how physical characteristics of a region shape its economic development</p> <p>4.9.2 Identify examples of human, natural, and capital resources and explain how these resources are used to produce goods and provide services.</p>	<p>4.9.5 Describe how government pays for goods and services through taxes and fees.</p> <p>4.9.9 Define budget, income, and expense and explain the benefits of making and following a budget</p> <p>4.2.5 Use the concepts “melting pot,” “salad bowl,” and “cultural mosaic” to explain the impact of immigration on population growth and diversity in the United States.</p> <p>4.5.2 Analyze how physical characteristics of a region shape its economic development.</p> <p>4.9.2 Identify examples of human, natural, and capital resources and explain how these resources are used to produce goods and provide services.</p>	<p>4.3.1 Explain how inventions and new processes affected the lives of people, migration, and the economy of regions of the United States</p> <p>4.9.8 Differentiate between money (currency), checks, debit cards, and credit cards and identify advantages and disadvantages of each type of monetary exchange</p> <p>4.9.3 Define the terms profit and risk and explain how they relate to each other.</p> <p>4.9.4 Investigate the relationship between supply, demand, and price.</p> <p>4.9.6 Summarize the roles of households, businesses, jobs, banks, and governments in the economy.</p>

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Unit Summary	<p>Students explore a series of maps of the United States spanning history and learn about the geography, culture, and economic activities of regions within the United States. They will then apply their newly acquired map skills to learn about the five regions of the United States. During the study of each region, students connect regional geography, physical features, and climate to economic activities and culture.</p>	<p>Students will examine the impact of European exploration and colonization of the Americas on Native people, boundaries, territory, and land. They will also learn that regional geography heavily shaped the life, culture, and economies of colonies. Jamestown was founded as a profit venture and adapted to the climate as an agricultural colony, growing tobacco as a cash crop. In contrast, Plymouth was settled by whole family units seeking religious freedom, who engaged in subsistence farming to survive, but did not have the climate to produce high yields of crops. Lives in the colonies were extremely different as a result</p>	<p>Students explore the formation of the United States of America, from the eve of the American Revolution through the creation of the new government.</p>	<p>Students learn that the US borders expanded as people chose to migrate to the West and apply knowledge of regional geography to the historical context of Westward Migration. The acquisition of new territory in the West with the Louisiana Purchase opened new lands up for exploration and settlement. Additionally, the transcendent call for Manifest Destiny emboldened Americans to settle West, in fulfillment of their perceived destiny to expand from Atlantic to Pacific. Students will also learn the negative impact of westward expansion on Native Americans who occupied lands west of the original states.</p>	<p>Students examine the effects of industrialization on the economy, jobs, and settlement patterns in the United States. Students will use this knowledge of regional US geography to examine why industrial hubs were located in cities in the Northeast United States. Industrialization made production cheaper and faster, making consumer goods more accessible to average Americans. Industrialization had a tremendous impact on the lives of Americans including where people lived and what they did for work. This led to the rise of factories created jobs in cities, leading to rapid urbanization in the North.</p>	<p>Students examine the impact of inventions and technology on everyday life. They learn that technology has helped people to live longer. Advancements in medical technology dramatically increase the life expectancy of people. Knowledge of basic health and sanitation, particularly lacking during industrialization, have also kept people from getting sick. Students will learn that new household inventions make domestic life easier and more convenient. They will also analyze and examine the role of households on the economy and the impact of household products on supply & demand and the consumer economy.</p>

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Text	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Variety of maps Weathering and Erosion Age of Exploration The History of Native Americans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Age of Exploration The History of Native Americans Colonial America and Settlements text 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> George vs. George If You Lived at the Time of the American Revolution Declaration of Independence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On This Day with Lewis and Clark Westward Expansion maps 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Urbanization Maps of cities and towns Photos 1920 Building America Jane Adams of Hull House 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Changes to Everyday Life Waiting in Line for iPhone Changes to Transportation and Communication
Assessment	<p>Essay-How do geography and physical features impact economic activities and cultures? Compare and contrast different maps of the world and United States. Scored with Social Studies Rubric</p>	<p>Essay-How do exploration and colonization change populations, boundaries, and land? What were the effects of European exploration on Europe and the Americas? Scored with Social Studies Rubric</p>	<p>Why did the American Revolution occur? How does the US constitution reflect the ideas of the Founding Fathers and American Revolution? America Comes of Age Scored with Social Studies Rubric</p>	<p>Was Westward Migration a positive or negative event in United States history? Transcontinental Railroad Task Invention and Migration Task</p> <p>Scored with Social Studies Rubric</p>	<p>What was life like in the cities during industrialization? Industrialization and the City task Scored with Social Studies Rubric</p>	<p>What is the profit and risk for both businesses and individuals of our world becoming a more interconnected place?</p>