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Unit 1		Unit 2		Unit 3		Unit 4	
The American Revolution		The New Nation		Westward Expansion		The Civil War	
3 weeks		3 weeks		3 weeks		2 weeks	
Grade Level Standard	Prerequisite Standards Mastery Assessment	Grade Level Standard	Prerequisite Standards Mastery Assessment	Grade Level Standard	Prerequisite Standards Mastery Assessment	Grade Level Standard	Prerequisite Standards Mastery Assessment
SS4H1a	SS3H3c	SS4H2a		SS4H3a		SS4H5a	
SS4H1b		SS4H2b		SS4H3b		SS4H5b	
SS4H1c		SS4CG1a		SS4H3c		SS4H5c	
SS4H1d		SS4CG1b		SS4H4a		SS4H5d	
SS4G1b		SS4CG1c		SS4G1a		SS4H5e	
SS4G2a	SS3G3	SS4CG1d		SS4G1b		SS4G1b	
SS4CG1a	SS3CG2a, b	SS4CG2		SS4G2b		SS4E1c	SS3E3
SS4E1b	SS3E3	SS4CG3a	SS3CG1	SS4CG2	SS3G3		
SS4E1c	SS3E4	SS4CG3b		SS4E1a	SS3E3		
		SS4E1e	SS3E3	SS4E1d	SS3E4		
				SS4E1f	SS3E1		

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Unit 5		Unit 6			
Recons	Reconstruction		Personal Finance		
2 w	2 weeks		2 weeks		
Grade Level Standard	Prerequisite Standards Mastery Assessment	Grade Level Standard	Prerequisite Standards Mastery Assessment		
SS4H6a		E2	SS3E4		
SS4H6b					
SS4H6c					
SS4H6d					
SS4CG1a	SS3CG2				
SS4CG2a					
SS4E1b	SS3E3a				
SS4E1c	SS3E3c				
SS4E1f	SS3E1				

KEY: H= History, G = Geography, CG = Civics and Government, E= Economics

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The American Revolution	The New Nation	Westward Expansion		
SS3H3 Explain the factors that shaped British	SS4H2 Analyze the challenges faced by the	SS4H3 Explain westward expansion in		
Colonial America.	framers of the Constitution.	America.		
c. Describe colonial life in America from the	a. Identify the major leaders of the	a. Describe the causes and events of the		
perspectives of various people: large landowners,	Constitutional Convention (James Madison,	War of 1812; include the burning of the		
farmers, artisans, women, children, indentured	George Washington, and Benjamin Franklin).	Capitol and the White House and the		
servants, slaves, and American Indians.	b. Evaluate the major issues debated at the	writing of "The Star-Spangled Banner."		
	Constitutional Convention: the weaknesses of	b. Describe the impact of westward		
SS4H1 Explain the causes, events, and results of	the Articles of Confederation, the rights of	expansion on American Indians; include		
the American Revolution.	states to govern themselves (federal system), the	the Trail of Tears, Battle of Little		
a. Trace the events that shaped the revolutionary	Great Compromise, and slavery (Three-Fifths	Bighorn and the forced relocation of		
movement in America: French and Indian War,	Compromise).	American Indians to reservations.		
1765 Stamp Act, the slogan "no taxation without	SS4CG1 Describe the meaning of:	c. Describe territorial expansion with		
representation," the activities of the Sons of	a. Natural rights as found in the Declaration of	emphasis on the Louisiana Purchase,		
Liberty, the activities of the Daughters of Liberty,	Independence (the right to life, liberty, and the	the Lewis and Clark expedition, and the		
Boston Massacre, and the Boston Tea Party.	pursuit of happiness)	acquisitions of Texas (the Alamo and		
b. Describe the influence of key individuals and	b. "We the People" from the Preamble to the	independence), Oregon (Oregon Trail),		
groups during the American Revolution:	U.S. Constitution as a reflection of consent of	and California (Gold Rush and the		
King George III, George Washington, Benjamin	the governed or popular sovereignty	development of mining towns).		
Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, Benedict Arnold,	c. The federal system of government in the U.S.	SS4H4 Examine the main ideas of the		
Patrick Henry, John Adams, Paul Revere, and	(federal powers, state powers, and shared	abolitionist and suffrage movements.		
Black regiments.	powers)	a. Discuss contributions of and		
c. Describe the major events of the American	d. Representative democracy/republic	challenges faced by Susan B. Anthony,		
Revolution and explain the factors leading to	SS4CG2 Explain the importance of freedoms	Frederick Douglass, Elizabeth Cady		
American victory and British defeat; include the	guaranteed by the First Amendment to the U.S.	Stanton, Sojourner Truth, and Harriet		
Battles of Lexington and Concord, Saratoga, and	Constitution.	Tubman.		
Yorktown.	SS3CG1 Describe the elements of	SS4G1 Locate important physical and		
d. Explain the writing of the Declaration of	representative democracy/republic in the United	man-made features in the United States.		
Independence; include who wrote it, how it was	States.	a. Locate major physical features of the		
written, why it was necessary, and how it was a	a. Describe the three branches of national	United States: the Atlantic Coastal		
response to tyranny and the abuse of power.	government: executive (president), legislative	Plain, the Great Plains, the Continental		
SS4G1 Locate important physical and man-made	(Congress), and judicial (Supreme Court of the	Divide, the Gulf of Mexico, the		
<u>features in the United States.</u>	United States).	Mississippi River, and the Great Lakes.		
b. Locate major man-made features of the United	b. Describe the three branches of state	b. Locate major man-made features of		
States: New York City, NY; Boston, MA;	government: executive (governor), legislative	the United States: New York City, NY;		
Philadelphia, PA; Washington, D.C.; Gettysburg,	(Georgia	Boston, MA; Philadelphia, PA;		
PA; and the Erie Canal.				

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a. Explain how each force (American and British) attempted to use the physical geography of each battle site (Lexington and Concord, Saratoga, and Yorktown) to its benefit.

SS3CG2 Explain the importance of Americans sharing certain central democratic beliefs and principles, both personal and civic.

- a. Explain the necessity of respecting the rights of others and promoting the common good.
- b. Explain the necessity of obeying reasonable laws/rules voluntarily, and explain why it is important for citizens in a democratic society to participate in public (civic) life (staying informed, voting, volunteering, and communicating with public officials).

SS4CG1 Describe the meaning of:

a. Natural rights as found in the Declaration of Independence (the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness)

SS3E3 Give examples of interdependence and trade and explain the benefits of voluntary exchange.

General Assembly), and judicial (Supreme Court of Georgia).

c. State the main responsibility of each branch: executive (enforcing laws), legislative (making laws), judicial (determining if laws are fair).

<u>SS4CG3 Describe the structure of government</u> and the Bill of Rights.

- a. Describe how the three branches of government interact with each other (checks and balances and separation of powers), and how they relate to local, state, and federal government.
- b. Identify and explain the rights in the Bill of Rights, describe how the Bill of Rights places limits on the powers of government and explain the reasons for its inclusion in the Constitution in 1791.
- SS3E3 Give examples of interdependence and trade and explain the benefits of voluntary exchange.
- a. Describe the interdependence of consumers and producers.
- b. Describe how goods and services are allocated by price in the marketplace.
- c. Explain that some goods are made locally, some elsewhere in the country, and some in other countries.
- d. Explain that most countries create their own currency for use as money.
- SS4E1 Use the basic economic concepts of trade, opportunity cost, specialization, voluntary exchange, productivity, and price incentives to illustrate historical events.
- e. Describe how trade promotes economic activity (e.g., trade between the U.S. and Europe).

Washington, D.C.; Gettysburg, PA; and the Erie Canal.

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b. Describe physical barriers that hindered and physical gateways that benefited territorial expansion from 1801 to 1861.

SS4CG2 Explain the importance of freedoms guaranteed by the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. SS3E1 Define and give examples of the

four types of productive resources.

- a. Natural (land)
- b. Human (labor)
- c. Capital (capital goods)
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- b. Explain how price incentives affect people's behavior and choices: decisions about what crops (e.g., cotton, and tobacco) to grow and products (e.g., textiles) to produce.
- c. Describe how specialization improves standards of living (e.g., differences in the economies in the North and South).

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- d. Explain how voluntary exchange helps both buyers and sellers (e.g., Gold Rush mining towns).
- f. Give examples of technological advancements and their impact on business productivity during the development of the United States (e.g., cotton gin, steamboat, steam locomotive, and telegraph.)

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The Civil War	Reconstruction	Personal Finance		
SS4H5 Explain the causes, major events, and	SS4H6 Analyze the effects of Reconstruction on	SS4E2 Identify the elements of a		
consequences of the Civil War.	American life.	personal budget (income, expenditures,		
a. Identify Uncle Tom's Cabin and John Brown's	a. Describe the purpose of the 13th, 14th, and	and saving) and explain why personal		
raid on Harper's Ferry and explain how each of	15th Amendments.	spending and saving decisions are		
these events was related to the Civil War.	b. Explain the work of the Bureau of Refugees,	important.		
b. Discuss how the issues of states' rights and	Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands (Freedmen's			
slavery increased tensions between the North	Bureau).			
and South.	c. Explain how slavery was replaced by			
c. Identify major battles, campaigns, and events:	sharecropping and how freed African			
Fort Sumter, Gettysburg, the Atlanta	Americans or Blacks were prevented from			
Campaign, Sherman's March to the Sea, and	exercising their newly won rights.			
Appomattox Court House.	d. Describe the effects of Jim Crow laws and			
d. Describe the roles of Abraham Lincoln, Robert	practices.			
E. Lee, Ulysses S. Grant, Jefferson Davis, Thomas				
"Stonewall" Jackson, and William T. Sherman.	SS4CG1 Describe the meaning of:			
e. Describe the effects of war on the North and	a. Natural rights as found in the Declaration of			
South.	Independence (the right to life, liberty, and the			
SS4G1 Locate important physical and man-made	pursuit of happiness)			
<u>features in the United States.</u>	SS3CG2 Explain the importance of Americans			
c. Locate major man-made features of the	sharing certain central democratic beliefs			
United States: New York City, NY;	and principles, both personal and civic.			
Boston, MA; Philadelphia, PA;	a. Explain the necessity of respecting the rights			
Washington, D.C.; Gettysburg, PA; and	of others and promoting the common good.			
the Erie Canal.	b. Explain the necessity of obeying reasonable			
SS4E1 Use the basic economic concepts of trade,	laws/rules voluntarily, and explain why it is			
opportunity cost, specialization, voluntary	important for citizens in a democratic society to			
exchange, productivity, and price incentives to	participate in public (civic) life (staying			
illustrate historical events.	informed, voting, volunteering, and			
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North and South).	SS4E1 Use the basic economic concepts of			
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trade and explain the benefits of voluntary	exchange, productivity, and price incentives to			
exchange.	illustrate historical events.			
a. Describe the interdependence of consumers and	b. Explain how price incentives affect people's			
producers.	behavior and choices: decisions about what			

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