

6th Grade Social Studies Curriculum Guide

- Skills
 - Ex:
 - Identify primary and secondary sources
 - Identify point of view and bias of a source
 - Cause and effect
 - Compare and contrast
 - Map skills
 - Reading charts, graphs, and timelines
 - Sequencing
 - Develop hypothesis
 - Writing
 - Evaluate multiple sources and viewpoints on a topic
 - Incorporate technology into learning process
- Uncovering the past
 - Ex:
 - Why we study history
 - Physical and human geography
- The Stone Ages and Early Cultures
 - Ex:
 - The first people
 - Beginnings of agriculture
- Mesopotamia and the Fertile Crescent
 - Ex:
 - Tigris and Euphrates River Valley geography
 - Social hierarchy
 - Mesopotamian achievements
- Ancient Egypt
 - Ex:
 - Nile River Valley geography
 - Uniting Upper Lower Egypt
 - Old, Middle, and New Kingdoms
 - Egyptian achievements
- Ancient India
 - Ex:
 - Geography of India
 - Caste system
 - Origins of Hinduism and Buddhism
 - Indian achievements
- Ancient China
 - Ex:
 - Geography of China

- Rise and fall of Chinese dynasties
 - Emperor Shi Huangdi
 - The Han Dynasty
- The Hebrews and Judaism
 - Ex:
 - Moses and the Exodus
 - Monotheism
 - Jewish culture and traditions
- Ancient Greece
 - Ex:
 - Geography of Greece
 - Beginnings of democracy
 - Mythology
- The Greek World
 - Ex:
 - Greece and Persia
 - Sparta and Athens
 - Alexander the Great
- The Roman World
 - Ex:
 - Geography of Italy
 - Rise of Roman republic
 - Roman government
 - Hannibal

7th Grade Social Studies Curriculum Guide

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- The 13 English Colonies
 - Ex:
 - Jamestown and the Southern Colonies
 - Plymouth and the New England Colonies
 - The Middle Colonies
- The American Revolution
 - Ex:
 - French and Indian War
 - British taxation and colonial response
 - Declaration of Independence
 - Gaining independence
- Forming a Government
 - Ex:
 - The Articles of Confederation
 - The Constitutional Convention
 - The US Constitution
- Citizenship and the Constitution
 - Ex:
 - Federal system
 - 3 Branches of government
 - Bill of Rights
- Launching the Nation
- The Jefferson Era
 - Ex:
 - Election of 1800

- Marbury vs Madison
 - Louisiana Purchase
 - War of 1812
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- A New National Identity
 - Ex:
 - Monroe Doctrine
 - Missouri Compromise

8th Grade Social Studies Curriculum Guide

- Skills
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 - Identify primary and secondary sources
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 - Sequencing
 - Develop hypothesis
 - Writing
 - Evaluate multiple sources and viewpoints on a topic
 - Incorporate technology into learning process
- The Jeffersonian Era
 - Birth of political parties
 - Election of 1800
 - Early foreign and domestic challenges
 - Louisiana Purchase
 - Lewis and Clark
- The Jackson Era
 - Ex:
 - Changes in American democracy
 - Indian removal
- Manifest Destiny
 - Ex:
 - Oregon Trail
 - Texas independence
 - Mexican War
- North and South
 - Ex:
 - Industrial North
 - Cotton Kingdom
- The Spirit of Reform
 - EX;
 - The abolitionists – Frederick Douglass, Sojourner Truth, William Lloyd Garrison
 - Underground Railroad
 - Women’s rights
 - Seneca Falls Convention
- Towards Civil War

Ex:

- Missouri Compromise
- Compromise of 1850
- Uncle Tom's Cabin
- Dred Scott Decision
- John Brown
- Lincoln – Douglas debates
- Secession

- The Civil War

Ex:

- Compare and contrast strengths, goals, and strategies of North and South
- Impact of important battles
- Life during the war
- Effect of war on society
- End of Civil War

- The Reconstruction Era

Ex:

- Lincoln assassination
- 13th, 14th and 15th Amendments
- Problems with Reconstruction
- Post-Reconstruction era

- Opening the West

Ex:

- Gold, silver, and boomtowns
- Railroads
- Homestead Act
- Custer and Little Bighorn

- The Industrial Age

Ex:

- Inventions
- Growth of railroads, oil, and steel
- Labor Unions

- An Urban Society

Ex:

- Immigration
- Moving to the city

