

US History Syllabus - 8th grade

First Quarter

Week 1 - 4 Colonialism (1600-1750) Students will understand the social, political, and economic reasons for the movement of people from Europe to the Americas, and they will describe the impact of colonization by Europeans on American Indians and on the development of the land that eventually became the United States of America.

Standards: 8.1, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 8.6, 8.7, 8.8, 8.9, 8.10, 8.11, 8.12, 8.13, 8.14

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Week 5-9 Development of a New Nation (1720 - 1787) Students will understand the major events preceding the founding of the nation and relate their significance to the development of American Republic.

Standards: 8.15, 8.16., 8.17, 8.18, 8.19, 8.20, 8.21, 8.22, 8.23, 8.24, 8.25, 8.26, 8.27

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Week 10-11 The Constitution and Foundation of the American Political System (1777-1789) Students analyze the political principles underlying the constitution, compare the enumerated and implied powers of the federal government, and understand the foundation of the American political system and the ways in which citizens participate.

Standards 8.28, 8.29, 8.30, 8.31, 8.32, 8.33, 8.34, 8.35, 8.36, 8.37

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Second Quarter

Week 1-3 The Constitution and Foundation of the American Political System (1777- 1789) Students analyze the political principles underlying the constitution, compare the enumerated and implied powers of the federal government, and understand the foundation of the American political system and the ways in which citizens participate.

Standards 8.28, 8.29, 8.30, 8.31, 8.32, 8.33, 8.34, 8.35, 8.36, 8.37

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Week 4-9 (includes Thanksgiving Break) Growth of the Young Nation (1789-1849) Students analyze the aspirations and ideals of the people of the new nation.

Standards: 8.38, 8.39, 8.40, 8.41, 8.42

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Third Quarter

Week 1-3 The United States' on the World Stage (1789 - 1849) Students analyze United States foreign policy in the early Republic.

Standards 8.43, 8.44, 8.45

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Week 4-7 The Sectionalism of the American North, South, and West (1800-1850) Students analyze the paths of the American people in the three regions of the United States from 1800 to mid-1800s and the challenges they faced as they became increasingly sectionalized.

Standards: 8.46, 8.47, 8.48, 8.49, 8.50, 8.51, 8.52, 8.53, 8.54, 8.55, 8.56, 8.57, 8.58, 8.59, 8.60, 8.61, 8.62, 8.63

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Week 8-11 Slavery in America (1800-1850) Students analyze the growth of slavery and the resulting controversies.

Standards: 8.64, 8.65, 8.66, 8.67, 8.68, 8.69, 8.70, 8.71

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Fourth Quarter

Week 1-4 Civil War (1830 - 1865) Students analyze the multiple causes, key events, and complex consequences of the Civil War.

Standards: 8.72, 8.73, 8.74, 8.75, 8.76, 8.78, 8.79, 8.80, 8.81

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Week 5-6 Reconstruction (1865 - 1877) Students analyze the character and lasting consequences of Reconstruction.

Standards: 8.82, 8.83, 8.84, 8.85, 8.86, 8.87, 8.88, 8.89, 8.90

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Week 7-9 Westward Expansion after the Civil War (1865 - 1890) Students analyze the social, political, and economic transformation of America as a result of westward expansion.

Standards: 8.91, 8.92, 8.93, 8.94, 8.95, 8.96, 8.97, 8.98

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Parents may access teaching materials to go along with standards through ck-12.org where the textbook is located, and through Schoology.