



## Unit 3 The Past is Important

### Grade 1 Social Studies

#### Unit Description:

In this unit, students explore events and people from the past and how important events and leaders have impacted their lives, with an emphasis on national holidays. This sets the stage for the unit to follow where students explore how the environment and world impacts their life.

#### Social Studies Standards:

- 1.1.1** Construct personal timelines that highlight past and present events
- 1.1.2** Create a primary source of personal information
- 1.1.3** Compare and contrast lifestyles of the past to the present
- 1.2.1** Identify and explain the importance of American heroes, symbols, landmarks, and patriotic songs
- 1.2.2** Describe reasons for celebrating events commemorated in national holidays

#### Enduring Understandings- Compelling Question:

- **How do people and the environment impact my world?**

#### Essential Questions- Supporting Questions:

- How can we show the events of our lives in chronological order?
- How are lifestyles from the past the same and different from lifestyles of today?
- Why are American heroes, symbols, landmarks, and patriotic songs important?
- Why do we celebrate events commemorated by national holidays?