

YEAR AT A GLANCE: SS Gr 8 (updated Dec 2022)

	<u>UNIT 1</u>	<u>UNIT 2</u>	<u>UNIT 3</u>	<u>UNIT 4</u>	<u>UNIT 5</u>	<u>UNIT 6</u>	<u>UNIT 7</u>
Title	<i>Reconstruction & Civil Rights</i>	<i>Westward Expansion</i>	<i>Industrialization & Urbanization</i>	<i>Immigration Growth of Cities</i>	<i>Progressive Era</i>	<i>Becoming a world power. Imperialism</i>	<i>The Great War- World War I</i>
Unit Length (weeks taught)	2 Weeks	2 Weeks	4 Weeks	2 Weeks	2 Weeks	2 Weeks	2 Weeks
EUs (The big ideas, the “why” we include these ideas)	The role of the government in the economy. The responsibility of the government to its citizens.	The interaction between people and their environment.	The role of government in the economy.	The positive and negative impact of immigration on the United States.	The role of citizens affecting change.	The globalization of American business & politics.	The impact of a country fighting in a total war.
EQs (What do we want students to think about)	What are Civil Rights? What is freedom?	To what extent is expansion good for a society? What is Manifest Destiny?	What factors trigger a Revolution? How can technology make a civilization better?	What is a utopian society? How can a culture change?	What happens when the wrong people get too much power? Was the Progressive Era successful?	Is global expansion beneficial? What occurs when other cultures are not respected?	What factors led to World War I and America’s involvement in the war? Why did many Americans oppose the Treaty of Versailles?

	<u>UNIT 8</u>	<u>UNIT 9</u>	<u>UNIT 10</u>	<u>UNIT 11</u>	<u>UNIT 12</u>	<u>UNIT 13</u>
Title	<i>The Roaring Twenties</i>	<i>The Great Depression and the New Deal</i>	<i>World War II</i>	<i>The Cold War and the American Dream</i>	<i>The Presidency 1960s-1970s</i>	<i>New Directions for a Nation</i>
Unit Length (weeks taught)	2 Weeks	3 Weeks	3 Weeks	2 Weeks	2 Weeks	2 Weeks
EUs (The big ideas, the “why” we include these ideas)	People develop different solutions for similar needs, challenges, and desires.	The government’s role in its citizens lives.	Political differences leads to tensions conflict	A government's foreign policy promotes its own self-interests.	The globalization of American business & politics	Foreign countries' political and social events affect a government’s decisions.
EQs (What do we want students to think about)	Do social changes affect a country? What is reform?	What is a Depression? Would different experiences, values and beliefs lead to people to view historical events differently?	What occurs when all the power is in the hands of wrong people? Are some wars necessary?	Does more power lead to more conflict?	Can politics lead to social change? Can there be conflict between different time periods?	Do individuals help to strengthen a Democracy? What constitutes a political shift?