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Unit:	**Geography Skills**
Big Ideas:	globes, compass rose, map key
Unit Essential Questions:	What is a globe? What does a compass rose tell you? What tools do you use to read a map?

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Using Globes ***Using a Compass Rose*** ***Reading a Map*** ***Review and Test*** ***10 days***	7.1.3.A	North Pole South Pole Equator Primer Meridian Continent Ocean Hemispheres Symbol Map key Cardinal directions Intermediate directions Compass rose Locator Grid map	What is a globe? What does a compass rose tell you? What tools do you use to read a map?	Basic map skills	Suggested: Using online or physical globe to find points on a globe as a class. Globe scavenger hunt in small groups. Name and locate all continents and oceans. Explore oceans and continents on Brainpop or Brainpop Jr. Utilize map keys and symbols to read a map and find locations and features. Cardinal directions game (like Simon Says) Create a grid map depicting an area of your home or backyard. Review game. Kahoot Center Activities	Text Globe (online or physical) Continent and oceans worksheet Brainpop/Brainpop Jr. Map key and symbol worksheet Various kinds of maps Grid map assignment online Grid paper Study guide Chapter test	Discussion Teacher Observation Continent and Oceans Map Project Chapter test

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Unit:	**Living in Communities**
Big Ideas:	three types of communities, types of transportation
Unit Essential Questions:	What is a community? How are the three types of communities similar and different? How does transportation differ among the three types of communities?

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Chapter 1: Looking at a Community Communities Across the United States ***7 days***	7.3.3.A 5.2.3.D 6.5.3.A 6.5.3.B	Community Citizen Pollution Volunteer Urban Suburban Rural Transportation	What is a community? How are the three types of communities similar and different? How does transportation differ among the three types of communities?	Three types of communities Similarities and differences among communities	Suggested: Explore communities on Brainpop Jr. Discuss different jobs in a community and what it means to be a good citizen. Compare and contrast our community to another community that is different (ex. San Francisco). Community classification activities (poster, game, graphic organizer, flipbook) Explain what happens when a community begins to grow or shrink.	Text graphic organizers study guide review game chapter test Map Craft (Me on a Map)	Discussion Teacher Observation Chapter test

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Big Ideas:	types of landforms, major landforms in the United States, natural resources,
Unit Essential Questions:	What are the different landforms on Earth? What major landforms are in or near your community? What are natural resources and why are they important? Why do we need to protect our environment?

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Chapter 2 : Communities and Geography ***Our Country's Geography*** ***Caring for our Natural Resources*** ***Review and Test*** ***7 days***	7.3.3.A 7.2.3.B 6.1.3.B	Geography Plain Plateau Hill Valley Mountain Landform Coast Island Canyon Ocean Lake Glacier Cave Volcano River Peninsula Climate Natural Resources Nonrenewable resources Renewable resources Minerals Environment Recycling	What are the different landforms on Earth? What major landforms are in or near your community? What are natural resources and why are they important? Why do we need to protect our environment?	Types of landforms Conservation Natural resources	Suggested: Explore landforms on Brainpop Jr. Explore the climate and geographical features of our community. Explore natural resources on Brainpop Jr. Landform Google slide. Landform activities (matching, flip book, poster) U.S. landform map Natural resources sort	Text study guide review game chapter test Teacher created and purchased worskheets	Discussion Teacher Observation Chapter test

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Unit:	**Colonial Pennsylvania**
Big Ideas:	geography of Jamestown, life in Jamestown,Powhatan influence, Jamestown today
Unit Essential Questions:	What is the geography of Jamestown like? What was life for the colonists like in Jamestown? What was the relationship between the colonists and Powhatan like? What is Jamestown like today?

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Chapter 4 : An English Colony in Jamestown ***The Geography of Jamestown*** ***Jamestown Long Ago*** ***Jamestown Today*** ***7 days***	8.3.3.D 8.4.3.D 8.3.3.A 8.1.3.A	Bay Coastal Plain Colony Colonist Slavery Living historical museum Timeline	What is the geography of Jamestown like? What was life for the colonists like in Jamestown? What was the relationship between the colonists and Powhatan like? What is Jamestown like today?	Early colonial life	Suggested: Jamestown activities (videos, webquest, mini-book, teacher made and purchased materials) Pocahontas passage and questions Make your own timeline	Text study guide review game chapter test Teacher created and purchased worksheets	Discussion Teacher Observation Chapter test

Unit:	**A New Country is Born**

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Big Ideas:	Benjamin Franklin, Philadelphia, Declaration of Independence, George Washington, branches of government, the American flag
Unit Essential Questions:	How did Benjamin Franklin make a difference in Philadelphia? What does the American flag symbolize? How did George Washington help start our new government? What role did Philadelphia play in our country's history? Why was the Declaration of Independence written? Why were the three branches of government created?

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Chapter 6: A New Country is Born ***Ben Franklin and Philadelphia*** ***Our Country's Flag*** ***Our First President*** ***10 days***	8.1.3.B 8.1.3.A 8.2.3.A 8.2.3.B 8.3.3.A 8.3.3.B	almanac tax American Revolution Declaration of Independence Constitution elect compromise Congress President Supreme Court Bill of Rights	How did Benjamin Franklin make a difference in Philadelphia? What does the American flag symbolize? How did George Washington help start our new government? What role did Philadelphia play in our country's history? Why was the Declaration of Independence written? Why were the three branches of government created?	Early American government Philadelphia's role in early America Benjamin Franklin's significance	Suggested: Brainpop Videos (American Revolution, Declaration of Independence, American Flag, George Washington, and Ben Franklin) Ben Franklin and Declaration of Independence craftivity Venn diagram (Washington and Franklin) Google Slides on American Flag and historical places in Philadelphia Virtual field trip to Philadelphia Branches of Government Activities (sort, poster, reading passages, mini-book) Online videos	Text study guide review game chapter test Teacher created and purchased worksheets	Discussion Teacher Observation Chapter test

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Unit:	**Building New Lives**
Big Ideas:	Oregon Trail, immigrants, Statue of Liberty
Unit Essential Questions:	What was it like to travel west on the Oregon Trail? Why did immigrants come to America? Why does the Statue of Liberty represent?

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Chapter 6: A New Country is Born ***Ben Franklin and Philadelphia*** ***Our Country's Flag*** ***Our First President*** ***10 days***	8.3.3.A 8.3.3.C 8.3.3.B	Prairie Pioneer Dairy Immigrant Oral History	What was it like to travel west on the Oregon Trail? Why did immigrants come to America? What does the Statue of Liberty represent?	Westward expansion Immigration	Suggested: Teacher created or purchased items Brainpop video Westward Expansion Oregon Trail activities (videos, mini-book, diary entry, Venn diagram, fact/opinion) Statue of Liberty Google Slide and handouts	Text study guide review game chapter test Teacher created and purchased worksheets	Discussion Teacher Observation Chapter test