

Asian American Pacific Islanders Grades K-8

Grade	Subject	Unit/Lesson
K	ELA Social Studies STEAM ELA Map	(Nov & Feb) MyView Unit 2: Living Together - Essential Question: What Do Living Things Need? Compare & Contrast the weekly text to our supplemental Read Aloud, <u>Little Panda</u> Chinese Lunar New Year Research famous AAPI contributions to the technology industry (May) AAPI Month to include Read Alouds: Eyes that Kiss in the Corners by Joanna Ho, Eyes That Speak to the Stars by Joanna Ho, How to Wear a Sari by Darshana Khiani, Leila In Saffron by Rukhsanna Guidroz
1st	ELA ELA Map Social Studies	(September) Unit 1 bookclub- Neighborhoods Around the World (December) Unit 2 Independent Reading- How to Grow a Mango (January) Unit 3- Building Knowledge Library- Art Around the World (March) Unit 4- Independent Reading

	Social Studies Map	Library: Dadi and Grandma (March) Unit 4 bookclub- Old Ways and New Ways (May) Unit 5- MyView, Week 2- Seasons Around the World (May) Unit 5- Independent Reading: How the Buffalo came to be (May) Unit 5- Building Knowledge Library- The Holiday Seasons (January) myWorld Interactive Chapter 4: Lesson 2- Compares schools and communities from the past and present, including those from around the world (May) myWorld Interactive Chapter 5: Lesson 1-Compares cultures from around the world, including Korea, Mexico, India, and the Philippines. (May) myWorld Interactive Chapter 5: Lesson 2: Students learn about customs, traditions, and celebrations from around the world, including Korea, Mexico, and Samoa.
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	PBS Kids - Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month - All About the Holidays	(May) myWorld Interactive Chapter 5-Lesson 5-Student learn about immigrants who came from various parts of the world, including New Zealand, and how they contributed to society when they came to The United States of America. (May) myWorld Interactive Chapter 5-Lesson 6-Students study folktales and legends from around the world. The Chinese folktale, <u>The Four Dragons</u>, and the lesson it taught were <u>discussed</u>. https://kera.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/6413d175-574f-4978-aca5-68886e12ae50/asian-pacific-american-heritage-month-all-about-the-holidays/ Supplemental: - Scholastic News - GetEpic Books - Brainpop Jr.
2nd	ELA ELA Map Social Studies Social Studies Map	myWorld Interactive Chapter 6 Lesson 4 - Why traditional clothing is important to cultures. Filipino American Traditional Dress. myWorld Interactive Chapter 6 Lesson 2- Students learn about celebrating Chinese New Year in New

		York City myWorld Chapter 1 Angel Island- students explore how people have come to the United States from many different places. The photograph of Angel Island is used as a primary source to help students understand the experiences of immigrants who arrived on the West Coast myView Decodable Readers Unit 3 (Traditions, Traditional Clothing, Celebrate with Food)- These decodable readers explain that people around the world celebrate their culture through traditions, which can include special activities, clothing, and foods. Traditional clothing often reflects a person's heritage and is worn for important events, while special dishes are prepared and shared during celebrations. Together, these traditions help families and communities stay connected and honor their customs. myView Unit 3 Week 4 Read Aloud (Greetings Around the World)- The text introduces students to different ways people greet one another across the world. It explains that greetings can look and sound different depending on a country's
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		culture myView Unit 3 Week 5 (Traditional Foods) myView Unit 1.2 – <i>Maybe Something Beautiful</i> • Not specifically AAPI, but strongly supports themes of diversity, community identity, and multicultural representation. • These themes align well with AAPI goals by showing how different cultural groups contribute to the beauty and identity of a community. myView Unit 2.1 – <i>A Green Kid's Guide to Watering Plants</i> • While not AAPI-authored, this text can be paired with lessons about sustainability and stewardship, which connect to cultural practices found in some Pacific Island communities. • Emphasizes respect for nature and community responsibility—important values within many AAPI
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		cultures. myView Unit 3.3 – <i>Interstellar Cinderella</i> • Not AAPI-specific but aligns with themes of women in STEM, identity, and representation. • Provides a natural opportunity to highlight AAPI scientists, engineers, and innovators as role models. myView Unit 3.3 – <i>Cendrillon: An Island Cinderella</i> • A Caribbean folktale (not Pacific Islander), but it supports comparing cultural variations of Cinderella stories. • Works well alongside Asian retellings such as <i>Yeh-Shen</i>, helping students explore how different cultures shape stories and traditions. <u>ELA Trade Books:</u> <u>Friends Around the World:</u> Discusses children from different countries; you can highlight Asian countries (Japan, China, India, Korea, Philippines) and connect to cultural traditions,
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		customs, or daily life. <u>Celebrating the New Year:</u> Can be used to teach Lunar New Year and other Asian New Year traditions alongside the text. <u>Disaster Alert:</u> Could highlight natural disasters in Asia (e.g., typhoons, earthquakes) myView Independent Readers: <u>Adventure on Mount Everest</u> • Strong connection to Asian geography (Nepal/Tibet) and Himalayan culture. • Can support lessons on global communities, Asian landscapes, and the Indigenous Sherpa people. <u>Kya and the Sea</u> • Depending on the edition, this story often features Pacific Island themes, setting, or cultural perspectives. • Can be used to introduce Pacific Islander relationships with the ocean and environmental stewardship.
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		<u>The Magic Millstone</u> • A traditional folktale that exists in both Japanese and Korean versions (<i>The Handmill That Ground Out Salt</i>). • Can be used as part of a multicultural folktale comparison including Asia. <u>The Beat</u> • While not directly AAPI, it may include diverse characters and cultural music traditions. • Potential tie-in to rhythm and instruments found in Asian cultures if extended. <u>Pass It On</u> • Supports themes of community values, cooperation, and generational wisdom. • Not AAPI-specific, but can connect to cultural traditions across Asian and Pacific Island communities. <u>Weighing an Elephant</u> • A classic tale with origins in Chinese folklore. Strong AAPI alignment —
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		teaches logic, problem-solving, and traditional storytelling from China.
3rd	ELA ELA Map Link Social Studies Social Studies Map Link	MyView Trade Book Eleven Nature Tales - A Multicultural Journey. -”Cooking with Salt Water” is a folktale from Fiji that shows that small, humble things can have great importance. The story reminds people to appreciate what seems ordinary but adds value to life. -”Rabbit’s Tail Tale” is a folktale from China that teaches that being responsible and humble helps prevent unnecessary mistakes. My View Unit 4.5 Grace and Grandma - A play about a girl named Grace who is navigating life after her grandmother, Grandma Mei, moves in with her family. Grandma Mei represents an older generation with traditional values. Grace represents a younger generation growing up in a different cultural environment. Their conflicts show how cultural beliefs about respect, discipline, and family roles can vary across generations.

		MyWorld Chapter 7 - “Celebrating Our Communities” Chapter 7 explains how different communities celebrate their cultures, traditions, and special events. It shows that celebrations help people come together, honor their heritage, and appreciate what makes each community unique. Epic- ‘Ohana Means Family’ ‘Maui hooks the Islands’ <u>Brain Pop</u> <u>Ancient Hawaii</u> (Hula Law of the Splintered Paddle, Social Hierarchy, Polynesian Migration · Kapu · Kamehameha I · Wayfinders · Mana and the Ali'i · Kahuna & Maka'āinana, <u>Bruce Lee</u> (Hollywood Career · Challenging Stereotypes · Legacy · Technical Innovations in Film · Onscreen Fighting Style · Early Life · Martial Arts · Jeet Kune Do: The Way of the Intercepting Fist) <u>Lunar New Year,</u> Chinese,
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		Vietnamese, and Chinese festivals · Good Luck Traditions · Honoring Ancestors · Public Celebrations · Lunar, Solar, & Lunisolar Calendars · Global Celebration · Preparing for the New Year <u>Pearl Harbor- Modern</u> U.S.-Japan Relations · U.S. Response · Japanese-American Incarceration · Planning the Attack · U.S. Embargos · Imperial Japan · The Attack Scholastic News - weekly current events article during AAPI month
4th	ELA/Social Studies ELA Map Link Social Studies Map	MyView Unit 1.4 Barbed Wire Baseball - A true story set in a Japanese American internment camp during World War II. MyView Unit 4.4 - Secret of the Winter Count - A book about a story teller teaching their community about their history and to answer questions about events that had occurred in the past.

		MyView Unit 5.4 - The Himalayas - What makes an extreme location a place to both protect and explore. S.S. - Angel Island - during immigration. My view Unit 5.5 - Bye Bye plastic Bags on Bali - What happens to what we throw away. MyView Trade Books- Rickshaw Girl, Where the Mountain Meets the Moon, One World, Many Cultures Newsela- Lunar New Year
5th	ELA ELA Map Social Studies Social Studies Map Health	ELA - <u>My View Unit 1 - Journeys</u> <u>Unit 1 Week 1</u> • Building Background - Immigration and Expansion in the United States - relate to grade 4 SS - Ellis and Angel Island • Listening Comprehension - Call Me Joe • Main Story - A Path to Paper Son <u>Novels</u> • In the Year of the Board and

		Jackie Robsinson • Inside Out and Back Again Social Studies - • Variety of activities in May for AAPI month ◦ Read articles about significant people and events from NewsELA, EPIC, Read Theory, Common Lit, BrainPop ◦ Go Noodle: Polynesian Dances • Westward Expansion ◦ Transcontinental Railroad • My Culture Far & Wide Project ◦ Students identify their heritage and interview a relative that has lived in that country. ◦ Students present through a google slide including all kinds of information about the country, culture and language etc. Health - • Nutrition Unit/ Cultural Foods
3rd-5th	Music	Study composers for AAPI month

	World Language	(May) Variety of activities in May for AAPI month with connections of words and cultures linked to Hawaii, Japan, Polynesian Islands.
6th	ELA 6th ELA Map Social Studies Social Studies Map	(January/February) myPerspectives- Unit 2 (Animal Allies)- Analyze the historical fiction text, <i>Hachiko: The True Story of a Loyal Dog</i> by Pamela S. Turner highlights important Japanese cultural values such as loyalty, respect, and love. (May) myPerspectives- Unit 4 (Imagination)- “<i>Minokawa and the Last Moon</i>” retells an ancient Filipino myth from the Bagobo people about the Minokawa, a giant bird believed to swallow the sun and moon. In Bagas’s modern retelling, the story blends traditional folklore with contemporary language and moral reflection. Social Studies Unit Two Ancient River Valley Civilizations January: Ancient India - Inventions and contributions of Ancient India, Hinduism, Buddhism, and The Caste System

		February: Ancient China - inventions and contributions, Chinese New Year, Confucianism, Daoism, and Chinese Mythology
7th	ELA 7th ELA Map Social Studies Social Studies Map	September: myPerspectives-In Amy Tan's <i>"Two Kinds,"</i> analyze how one generation learns from another and how their culture impacts their relationship. Consider how Jing-mei (June) and her mother's experiences, values, and expectations reflect differences between generations and cultures. April: myPerspectives-Unit 4-He-y, Come on Ou-t! Shinichi Hoshi "He-y, Come on Ou-t!" is a Japanese short story by Shinichi Hoshi, often considered one of Japan's most famous science fiction writers. The story explores themes of human responsibility, environmental impact, and ignorance of consequences AAPI research and cultural writing (May) September/October-Human Rights, Trends in Immigration, Exclusion

		Laws, Poet Noy Chou - "You Have to Live in Someone Else's Country", Contributions of AAPI Immigrants March/April-Alien and Sedition Acts, Naturalization Act, The 14th Amendment, Wong Kim Ark, <i>Korematsu v. U.S.</i>
8th	ELA 8th ELA Map Social Studies Social Studies Map	myPerspectives; Analyze the personal narrative "Fish Cheeks," by Chinese American author, Amy Tan, as well as the short story, "The Winter Hibiscus" by Singaporean author, Mingfong Ho in correlation with Unit 1 (Rites of Passage). myWorld Unit 10-16 Social Studies November: Chinese Immigration, Japanese Immigration, Korean Immigration, Chinese Exclusion Act. December/January: US expansion in Alaska, Samoa, Guam, and Polynesia/Hawaii Philippine/American War. February: Asian Immigrants in the US during the Early 20th Century.

		May/June: Japan/China/Korea/Southeast Asia/India during World War II. Internment of Japanese Americans on the West Coast.
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