

**Social Studies: Scope & Sequence
4-5**

	Grade 4	Grade 5
Trimester 1	<p><u>Aug-November</u> The Western Hemisphere Today</p> <p><u>August/September</u> The Role of Government Rights and Responsibilities of Citizens Awareness of patriotic celebrations Border disputes and national security. Diversity of governments in the Western Hemisphere. Basic civic values in the constitutions of the United States, Canada and nations of Latin America</p> <p>Discuss current holidays as they occur – <i>ongoing throughout the year</i></p> <p><u>October/November</u> Voting-Election, Electoral College Candidates stance on the following issues and <i>why</i> they have to have opinions about these issues. Perspectives on contemporary issues (economy,immigration,environment)</p> <p>Environmental issues (loss of rain forests, deforestation, limited resources)</p> <p>Contemporary immigration</p>	<p><u>August/September</u> A New Nation</p> <p><u>States vs. Federal Power</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Influences on United States government • Magna Carta, Mayflower Compact, Iroquois Confederacy • Articles of Confederation <p><u>The Constitutional Convention</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drafting and compromises • Key people • Federalist system of government • Electoral college system • Ratification process <p><u>The U.S. Constitution</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meaning of Constitution – living document • Separation of powers • Checks and balances • National vs. states’ rights • Popular sovereignty • Protection of individual rights • Amendment process <p><u>The Bill of Rights</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limits of government power • Protection of individual rights <p><u>October/November</u></p> <p><u>Checks and Balances</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three branches of government • Separate but equal power • Focus in depth on each branch • Selection of cabinet members • Selection of Supreme Court

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		nominees • Presidential powers
Trimester 2	<p><u>December/January/February</u></p> <p><u>Geography and Early Peoples of the Western Hemisphere</u></p> <p><u>December/January</u> Geological processes shaped the physical environments of the Western Hemisphere (Ice Ages, weather, wind, and water)</p> <p>The physical environment is modified by human actions</p> <p>The Western Hemisphere has a long geologic history</p> <p>The Western Hemisphere can be located and represented using maps, globes, aerial and satellite photographs, and computer models.</p> <p><u>February</u> Early Civilization Native Civilizations develop over wide areas. Early groups respond to challenges of the environment.</p>	<p><u>December/January</u></p> <p>A Nation Grows</p> <p><u>US Acquisition of Territory</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Louisiana Purchase (1803) • Lewis and Clark • Treaties with Native American peoples • Indian Removal Act during Jackson’s presidency • Trail of Tears • Land Purchases <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Florida ○ Gasden Purchase from Mexico ○ Alaska • The Erie Canal <p><u>National/Economic Growth</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The War of 1812 • The Mexican War • Annexation of Texas (1845) • Gold Rush • 1862 Homestead Act • Rise of Urban cities • Increase in US trade opportunities <p><u>February</u></p> <p>Civil War and the Reconstruction</p> <p><u>Slavery</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sectionalism • Interdependence • Northern and southern economy • Conflicting perspectives • Abolitionists • Political and social movements

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Candidates and political parties <p><u>Efforts to Compromise</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Balance of power in Congress • National Efforts to Compromise <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Missouri Compromise ○ Compromise of 1850 ○ Kansas-Nebraska Act
<p>Trimester 3</p>	<p><u>Growth and Expansion of the United States</u></p> <p>How do geography, economics, people, and key events connect to shape a nation?</p> <p>(Martin Luther King, Harriet Tubman, Ruby Bridges, Sequoia Free, Ghandi)</p> <p><u>March</u> Geography of the United States- Rivers, mountains, regions, landforms, states, deserts</p> <p><u>April/May</u> Manifest Destiny and the westward expansion in the United States during the 19th century, The Lewis and Clark Expedition Effects of the Westward Expansion on the United States, Native Americans, family life, immigrants United States policy towards Native Americans Industrialization and the growth of factories The building of the transcontinental railroads Growth of the cities and the economy</p>	<p><u>March/April</u></p> <p><u>The Civil War</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key leaders and battles • Geographic, economic, and military advantages for North and South • The Emancipation Proclamation <p><u>Battles</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vicksburg • Gettysburg • Bull Run • Surrender at Appomattox – Lincoln's death <p><u>May</u></p> <p><u>Reconstruction</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic Plan • Lincoln's Plan • Johnson's Plan • Successes and failures of Reconstruction • Sharecropping/Freedman's Bureau • Slaves starting over • Black Codes of 1865 • Jim Crow laws

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Grade 4: The Western Hemisphere Today & Growth and Expansion of the United States
Grade 5: United States History & Geography (1700's – Industrial Revolution)