

United States History

Power Standards

Spring, 2017

1. Students will develop an understanding of how the convergence of people from Africa, Asia, and Europe have impacted the culture of America.
2. Students will understand the reasons for European colonization and how the original 13 English colonies took hold in the United States.
3. Students will understand how the original 13 English colonies developed economically, socially and politically.
4. Students will develop an understanding of the causes and effects of the American Revolution.
5. Students will understand the important roles played by African Americans, women, and Native Americans in the Revolution.
6. Students will know the challenges the new American republic faced following the Revolution and how the United States Constitution reflected those challenges.
7. Students will identify the domestic and foreign problems America faced following the American Revolution during the late 18th and early 19th centuries.
8. Students will understand how regional differences fueled the debate over states' rights versus federal power.
9. Students will understand the causes and effects of the various reform movements that swept the nation during the first half of the 19th Century (Great Awakening, Enlightenment)
10. Students will understand the causes and consequences of westward expansion (post-Mexican War)
11. Students will understand the causes, outcomes, and legacy of the American Civil War.
12. Students will understand the political struggles, accomplishments, and failures of Reconstruction in the years following the Civil War.
13. Students will understand how westward migration after the Civil War impacted the United States (Transportation, Native American Relations)
14. Students will understand how scientific discoveries in the late 19th century improved manufacturing and efficiency in the workplace. (Carnegie, Rockefeller, Ford)
15. Students will understand who the "New Immigrants" were and how their arrival influenced politics, economics, and society in the early 20th century.
16. Students will understand the importance of the Progressive Movement in bringing about social change in the early 20th century. (Teddy Roosevelt/Woodrow Wilson Years)
17. Students will understand how World War I affected the United States and Europe.
18. Students will understand the origins of the political and social changes that took place in America during 1920's.
19. Students will develop an understanding of how the consumer practices of the 1920's were instrumental in causing the Great Depression.
20. Students will understand the long-lasting consequences of the Great Depression on the people who lived through it.
21. Students will understand how the New Deal forever changed the influence of the government on everyday life in America.

22. Students will understand how the tough economic times of the 1930's led to the rise of dictatorships in Germany, Italy, and Russia.
23. Students will understand how the United States used its resources to swing the tide of WWII in favor of the Allies.
24. Students will understand how post-WWII tensions resulted in the Cold War from the 1940's through the 1990's.
25. Students will understand the economics, social, and political changes that occurred during the 1950's and 1960's.
26. Students will understand the achievements and challenges of the Kennedy and Johnson Administrations.
27. Students will understand how African Americans fought discrimination in the 1950's and 1960's.
28. Students will understand the military and political events of the Vietnam War and how the conflict impacted life in the United States for decades to come.
29. Students will develop an understanding of the social protests and calls for change that swept across the nation in the 1960's.
30. Students will understand the key political, social, and economic events of the 1970's and 1980's.
31. Students will develop an understanding of the most important issues that affect the United States in the 21st century.