Social Studies

Grade 5

ABSTRACT

Students in grade five expand their understanding of the impact of geography on early colonists. A close examination of the evolution of the rights of American citizens includes an analysis of the Pre-Revolutionary government, underrepresented demographic groups, the effects of multiculturalism in the history of the United States, and global and local issues of equity. Primary source documents are examined as students determine the factors contributing to the American Revolution, as well as the significant people and events of that period in American history. Collaboration among pupils is emphasized as technology is used to conduct research and present project-based learning that emphasizes the responsibilities of citizens in a democratic nation. Benchmark assessments are employed to track individual student progress.

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**Essential Question:**
- How did geography affect early colonization of America?
- In what ways do individuals promote governmental change?
- What influences have combined to create the American culture?
- How can a multicultural nation ensure equality?
- In what ways have American citizens contributed to universal freedom?

**Content:**
- Maps
- Citizenship
- Development of American Culture
- Diversity
- Human Rights

**Skills and Topics:**
- illustrate significant sites of the American Revolution
- assess the impact of geography in the colonies on the outcomes of the American Revolution
- determine the specific reasons for European immigration to the colonies (e.g., religious freedom, economic need, adventure)
- explore the geographical resources of the first American colonies
- reflect on learning in personal journal entries, including current affairs
- recall basic rights of American citizens
- compare and contrast citizens’ rights in diverse cultures and countries, both historically and in the current global scene
- assess measures that citizens employ to protest injustice from the colonial era to the present
- analyze the efforts of early American citizens to effect change in the governance of the colonies
- reflect on learning in personal journal entries, including current affairs
- discuss the components that comprise culture (e.g., food, clothing, customs, language)
- compare and contrast belief systems and family structures of diverse Native American and immigrant cultures
- determine issues encountered by immigrants over time (e.g., conflict, diversity, prejudice, need for resources)
- research emerging governance and technology innovations that influenced the economy in colonial times (e.g., trade agreements, conveyances)
- analyze the political challenges faced by a nation of diverse citizens
- research support movements for diverse cultures in the United States
- recall historical influences on the development of the American culture
- examine multiculturalism and its effect, including the varied responses of citizens to events and people
- compare and contrast the treatment of diverse cultures in the United States historically and currently
- examine human rights issues in the United States and around the world
- determine ways in which diversity impacts solutions to global human rights issues
- brainstorm ways in which American citizens can help to address global human rights issues
- compare and contrast global human rights issues with local issues of fairness (e.g., bullying, harassment)
- collaborate to present a global human rights issue and solution
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- What social and political forces impacted the early colonial government?
- In what ways did issues regarding the labor force contribute to the Revolution?
- How were human rights a contributing factor to the American Revolution?
- What role did diverse perspectives play in the events surrounding the American Revolution?
- How can a citizen affect life in the community?

**Content:**
- Government
- Economics
- American Revolution

**Skills and Topics:**
- recall the structures in the early colonial government
- trace the evolution of politics and political parties in the colonial government
- research the changing role of religious freedom and influence in colonial America
- determine the role of gender, race, and status in colonial society
- analyze the social, economic, and political opportunities of underrepresented members of colonial society
- reflect on learning in personal journal entries, including current affairs regarding underrepresented members of American society
- differentiate between slaves and indentured servants
- assess the economic significance of slavery in the Pre-Revolutionary period
- investigate the impact of mercantilism on the colonial economy
- relate slavery and indentured servitude to the colonial labor system
- analyze how labor issues contributed to the American Revolution
- reflect on learning in personal journal entries, including current economic affairs in the United States
- examine primary source documents of the Revolutionary era (e.g., The Declaration of Independence)
- debate the effect of The Declaration of Independence on demographic subgroups (e.g., women, enslaved and indentured servants, Native Americans)
- investigate specific instances of human rights violations during the Revolutionary era
- compare and contrast social issues of the Revolutionary era with current life in the United States
- define mercenaries
- assess the role of mercenary soldiers during the American Revolution
- research the significant foreign influences during the American Revolution (e.g., the French Revolution, Marquis de Lafayette, European mercenary soldiers)
- collaborate to determine the socio-economic influence of diverse populations (e.g., southern planters, enslaved peoples, Native Americans, women) during the American Revolution
- brainstorm current global issues that have resulted in protest by citizens
- collaborate with peers to select local and/or national issues to examine (e.g., equal rights, the environment, Homeland Security, peace)
- create a message and campaign to heighten awareness of the chosen issue
- employ technology to present final arguments
- extend argument in communication with appropriate authorities
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