

Grade 2 Social Studies

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Course Overview

The Grade 2 Social Studies course begins to explore how the student fits in the world as a member of a community, a country, and the world. It introduces maps and discusses how industry and government work in the U.S.A. Grade 2 Social Studies presents US History from the early Native American period to the Civil War and finishes with an introduction to world history.

Scope and Sequence

Unit 1 – Where Do You Live?

This unit discusses places where people live, how people form groups, what neighborhoods are, rules and laws, voting, how citizens care about the people around them, what communities are, reading a map, and how time changes communities. Also covered are urban, suburban, and rural areas, your country and state, where we are in the world, and other countries in the world. Also included is a biography of Eleanor Roosevelt.

Unit 2 – Planet Earth

This unit discusses cause and effect, landforms and water, using a map, the words similar and different, how food goes from the farm to the consumer, how produce is grown, using natural resources, using bar graphs, taking care of the Earth, and what responsibility is. Also included are biographies of James Dole and Rachel Carson.

Unit 3 – Working Hard

This unit discusses predicting the order of events, handling money, making important decisions, being diligent, using diagrams, how goods go from the factory to the consumer, how to use a compass rose, different ways to make and use money, using pie charts, how countries trade, how bartering works, and what riddles are. Also included are biographies of Clara Barton and Woody Johnson.

Unit 4 – The USA

This unit discusses the concept of the main idea, the local, state, and federal governments, respect, using a table, voting, our leaders and lawmakers, freedom, using a map to locate a place, and flags. Also included are biographies of Hiram Rhodes Revels and Susan B. Anthony.

Unit 5 – The History of Our Country

This unit discusses ordering events, Native American tribes, honesty, the English Colonies, distances on a map, Independence Day, how our country expanded, a timeline of our country's history, and the civil war. Also included are biographies of John Paul Jones and Harriet Tubman.

Unit 6 – Study the Past

This unit covers remembering details, immigrants, courage, American holidays and landmarks, holidays around the world, calendars, ancient artifacts and inventions, using diagrams, communication, and using stories to help communicate. Also included are biographies of Maya Lin and Robert Fulton.