

Pre-AP American Cultures I

Unit 1: Beginnings of American History

Unit Time Frame	Big Ideas	Essential Questions	Concepts (Know)	Competencies (Do)	Lesson Objectives/ Suggested Resources	Vocabulary	Standards/ Eligible Content
25 Days	<p>World history continues to influence Pennsylvanians, citizens of the United States, and individuals throughout the world today.</p> <p>The history of the Commonwealth continues to influence Pennsylvanians today, and has impacted the United States and the rest of the world.</p>	<p>How did different cultures and traditions develop around the world?</p> <p>What were the causes and effects of European exploration of the Americas?</p> <p>How did the English start colonies with distinct qualities in North America?</p> <p>How did English colonial life take shape?</p>	<p>People develop their own ways of life with strong roots to the past.</p>	<p>Describe how the beginnings of America influenced the country's cultural diversity</p> <p>Discuss the early civilizations and cultures of America and place them in global historical context</p> <p>Explain the European exploration and colonization of the Americas, focusing on North America and aspects of European heritage that formed the basis of life and government in the colonies</p> <p>Write a historical overview of the colonial period in American history.</p>	<p>SWBA to explain the impact of farming on the development of civilization.</p> <p>SWBA to tell how geography impacted Native American cultures.</p> <p>SWBA to identify how Greece and Rome shaped ideas about government and laws.</p> <p>SWBA to list reasons why Europeans began to look beyond their borders.</p> <p>SWBA to describe the impact of the Crusades and Renaissance on Europe.</p> <p>SWBA to explain the importance of the Columbian Exchange</p> <p>SWBA to describe the religious and economic conflicts in Europe during the Reformation.</p> <p>SWBA to explain how the defeat of the Spanish Armada influenced colonization of the Americas.</p> <p>SWBA to list reasons why</p>	<p>Civilization</p> <p>Culture</p> <p>Direct Democracy</p> <p>Republic</p> <p>Renaissance</p> <p>Crusades</p> <p>Conflict</p> <p>Alliance</p> <p>Mercantilism</p> <p>Rights</p> <p>Region</p> <p>Slavery</p> <p>Enlightenment</p> <p>Social Class</p> <p>Legislature</p> <p>Bill of Rights</p> <p>Natural Rights</p> <p>Separation of Powers</p>	<p>8.4.6 A</p> <p>8.4.7 A</p> <p>8.4.8 A</p> <p>8.4.9 A</p> <p>8.4.12 A</p> <p>8.4.W A</p> <p>8.2.6. A</p> <p>8.2.7. A</p> <p>8.2.8. A</p> <p>8.2.9. A</p> <p>8.2.12 A</p> <p>8.2.U.A</p> <p>Common Core - Writing</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.A,</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.B,</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.C,</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.D,</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.E,</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.F,</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.G,</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.H,</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.I,</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.J</p> <p>Common Core - Reading</p> <p>CC.8.6.9-10.A,</p> <p>CC.8.6.9-10.B,</p> <p>CC.8.6.9-10.C,</p> <p>CC.8.6.9-10.D,</p> <p>CC.8.6.9-10.E,</p> <p>CC.8.6.9-10.F,</p> <p>CC.8.6.9-10.G,</p> <p>CC.8.6.9-10.H,</p>

					<p>England wanted to establish colonies in North America.</p> <p>SWBA to describe the economy, geography, and climate of the New England, Middle, and Southern Colonies</p> <p>SWBA to identify the first forms of government used in the English colonies.</p> <p>SWBA to list the class differences that existed in colonial society.</p> <p>SWBA to explain why slavery became a part of the colonial economy.</p> <p>SWBA to identify how African culture influenced American Culture</p> <p>SWBA to describe how the colonies were affected by the spread of new ideas.</p> <p>SWBA to present a central idea with supporting details to describe colonial culture in American history</p>		CC.8.6.9-10.I
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Assessment Unit 1: Beginnings of American History							
Unit 2: Forming a New Nation							
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40 Days	Historical interpretation involves an	How did the relationship	The colonists broke away from Britain and created a	Explain how the French and Indian War lead to tension between the	SWBA to explain the results of the French and Indian War.	Protest Boycott	8.1.5.A 8.1.7.A 8.1.9.A

	<p>analysis of cause and result.</p> <p>The history of the United States continues to influence its citizens, and has impacted the rest of the world.</p>	<p>between Britain and the colonies fall apart?</p> <p>How did the American colonists gain their independence?</p> <p>How did the United States Constitution overcome the weaknesses of the Articles of Confederation and provide for the organization of the new government?</p> <p>How did the Constitution create a strong government with roots in history that allowed for change and met the needs of the people?</p>	<p>republican form of government.</p>	<p>colonies and the British government</p> <p>Describe how the fight for independence from Britain established the United States as the first modern country founded on Democratic principles</p> <p>Examine why the Articles of Confederation were unsuccessful, and how the problems with this document lead to the creation of the U.S. Constitution</p> <p>Identify how the negotiations and compromises over slavery in the Constitutional Convention laid the groundwork for the American Civil War</p> <p>List the basic features of the U.S. Constitution which remains the governing document for the country today</p> <p>Write a problem-solution essay on the Articles of Confederation</p>	<p>SWBA to describe how the colonists responded to British tax laws.</p> <p>SWBA to identify the first violent events between the colonists and the British government.</p> <p>SWBA to explain the difference between Patriots and Loyalists.</p> <p>SWBA to understand the meaning and structure of the Declaration of Independence.</p> <p>SWBA to explain why the Battle of Saratoga was a turning point in the American Revolution.</p> <p>SWBA to list the reasons the Americans were able to defeat the British in the American Revolution.</p> <p>SWBA to identify problems created by a weak government.</p> <p>SWBA to describe the government under the Articles of Confederation.</p> <p>SWBA to explain the major compromises of the Constitutional Convention.</p> <p>SWBA to compare the positions of Federalists and Antifederalists.</p> <p>SWBA to describe the Bill of Rights and how it protects individual freedom.</p> <p>SWBA to explain how past political ideas and the tradition of representation in</p>	<p>Propaganda</p> <p>Militia</p> <p>Independence</p> <p>Preamble</p> <p>Grievance</p> <p>Traitor</p> <p>Constitution</p> <p>Compromise</p> <p>Ratify</p> <p>Federalist</p> <p>Antifederalist</p> <p>Federalism</p> <p>Checks and Balances</p> <p>Amend</p> <p>Popular Sovereignty</p> <p>Unconstitutional</p>	<p>8.1.12.B 8.1.U.B 8.1.W.B 8.3.6.A 8.3.7.A 8.3.8.A 8.3.9.A 8.3.12.A 8.3.U.A</p> <p>Common Core - Writing CC.8.5.9-10.A, CC.8.5.9-10.B, CC.8.5.9-10.C, CC.8.5.9-10.D, CC.8.5.9-10.E, CC.8.5.9-10.F, CC.8.5.9-10.G, CC.8.5.9-10.H, CC.8.5.9-10.I, CC.8.5.9-10.J</p> <p>Common Core - Reading CC.8.6.9-10.A, CC.8.6.9-10.B, CC.8.6.9-10.C, CC.8.6.9-10.D, CC.8.6.9-10.E, CC.8.6.9-10.F, CC.8.6.9-10.G, CC.8.6.9-10.H, CC.8.6.9-10.I</p>
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					<p>the colonies influenced the writing of the Constitution.</p> <p>SWBA to describe the three main parts of the Constitution.</p> <p>SWBA to name the rights protected in the Bill of Rights.</p> <p>SWBA to analyze the problems of the Articles of Confederation and propose methods of solving them in a problem-solution essay.</p>		
Review Unit 2: Forming a New Nation							
Assessment Unit 2: Forming a New Nation							
Unit 3: The New Republic							
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30 Days	The history of the United States continues to influence its citizens, and has impacted the rest of the world. Historical context is needed to comprehend time and space.	<p>How did Americans respond to internal and external challenges?</p> <p>How did Thomas Jefferson and James Madison deal with unresolved national problems?</p> <p>How did the nation develop a growing sense</p>	The new United States faced a number of challenges in the early years of the Republic.	<p>Explain how the United States grew stronger under its new constitution</p> <p>Examine how the need to draw the line between federal and state power created political divisions in the 1800s</p> <p>Describe how the young nation struggled to take its place in the world at large</p> <p>Write a biographical essay on a person discussed in Unit 3</p>	<p>SWBA to discuss how the new government was organized during George Washington's presidency.</p> <p>SWBA to explain why the new nation faced an economic crisis and how Washington responded to the Whiskey Rebellion.</p> <p>SWBA to compare the political views of the nation's first political parties.</p> <p>SWBA to describe how Americans responded to the French Revolution.</p> <p>SWBA to identify the main</p>	<p>Loose Construction</p> <p>Strict Construction</p> <p>States' Rights</p> <p>Inauguration</p> <p>Precedent</p> <p>Tariff</p> <p>Impressment</p> <p>Nullify</p> <p>Limited Government</p> <p>Laissez Faire</p>	<p>8.3.6.A</p> <p>8.3.7.A</p> <p>8.3.8.A</p> <p>8.3.9.A</p> <p>8.3.12.A</p> <p>8.3.U.A</p> <p>8.1.4. A</p> <p>8.1.7.A</p> <p>8.1.8.A</p> <p>8.1.9.A</p> <p>8.1.12.A</p> <p>8.1.U.A</p> <p>8.1.W.A</p> <p>8.1.5.A</p> <p>8.1.12.B</p> <p>Common Core - Writing</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.A,</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.B,</p>

		<p>of national pride and identity?</p>		<p>points of Washington's Farewell Address.</p> <p>SWBA to explain how controversy arose over states' rights</p> <p>SWBA to explain Thomas Jefferson's policies as president.</p> <p>SWBA to discuss the importance of <i>Marbury v. Madison</i>.</p> <p>SWBA to describe how the United States gained the Louisiana Purchase.</p> <p>SWBA to discuss Lewis and Clark's expedition.</p> <p>SWBA to explain the causes and effects of the War of 1812.</p> <p>SWBA to list reasons why the Monroe Doctrine was issued.</p> <p>SWBA to explain how the right to vote expanded in the United States in the early 1800s.</p> <p>SWBA to describe Jacksonian Democracy.</p> <p>SWBA to discuss the forced removal of Native Americans from the Southeast.</p> <p>SWBA to contrast the viewpoints on the balance of federal and state power during the Nullification Crisis.</p> <p>SWBA to discuss one of the historical people in Unit 3 by describing his or her most</p>	<p>Judicial Review</p> <p>Embargo</p> <p>Blockade</p> <p>Smuggle</p> <p>Secede</p> <p>Nationalism</p> <p>Capitalism</p> <p>Suffrage</p> <p>Nullification</p>	<p>CC.8.5.9-10.C, CC.8.5.9-10.D, CC.8.5.9-10.E, CC.8.5.9-10.F, CC.8.5.9-10.G, CC.8.5.9-10.H, CC.8.5.9-10.I, CC.8.5.9-10.J</p> <p>Common Core - Reading CC.8.6.9-10.A, CC.8.6.9-10.B, CC.8.6.9-10.C, CC.8.6.9-10.D, CC.8.6.9-10.E, CC.8.6.9-10.F, CC.8.6.9-10.G, CC.8.6.9-10.H, CC.8.6.9-10.I</p>
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					important contributions to the nation in a biographical essay.		
Review Unit 3: The New Republic							
Assessment Unit 3: The New Republic							
Unit 4: The Nation Expands and Changes							
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35 Days	The history of the United States continues to influence its citizens, and has impacted the rest of the world. Perspective helps to define the attributes of historical comprehension.	Why did Americans take different paths in the early 1800s? How did reformers and writers inspire change and spark controversy? How did westward expansion change the geography of the nation and demonstrate the determination of its people?	Many forces lead to growth and change in the United States during the early 1800s.	<p>Identify how the Industrial Revolution set in motion many changes in the United States</p> <p>Explain how the Industrial Revolution and Western Expansion led to regional differences that began to divide the nation</p> <p>Write a cause-effect essay on the anti-slavery movement</p>	<p>SWBA to explain the changes the Industrial Revolution brought to American life.</p> <p>SWBA to list the new inventions and advances in agriculture, manufacturing, and transportation.</p> <p>SWBA to describe the challenges for urban areas in the early 1800s.</p> <p>SWBA to explain the impact of the Industrial Revolution on the agricultural economy of the South.</p> <p>SWBA to discuss the debate over slavery and the Missouri Compromise.</p> <p>SWBA to identify the social problems reformers tried to solve.</p> <p>SWBA to describe efforts in the North to end slavery.</p> <p>SWBA to explain why many people in the North and South defended slavery.</p>	<p>Industrial Revolution</p> <p>Mass Production</p> <p>Interchangeable Parts</p> <p>Urbanization</p> <p>Social Reform</p> <p>Abolitionist</p> <p>Transcendentalism</p> <p>Individualism</p> <p>Civil Disobedience</p> <p>Frontier</p> <p>Manifest Destiny</p> <p>Annex</p> <p>Cede</p>	<p>8.3.6.A</p> <p>8.3.7.A</p> <p>8.3.8.A</p> <p>8.3.9.A</p> <p>8.3.12.A</p> <p>8.3.U.A</p> <p>8.1.4. A</p> <p>8.1.7. A</p> <p>8.1.8. A</p> <p>8.1.9. A</p> <p>8.1.12. A</p> <p>8.1.U. A</p> <p>8.1.W.A</p> <p>Common Core - Writing</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.A,</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.B,</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.C,</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.D,</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.E,</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.F,</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.G,</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.H,</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.I,</p> <p>CC.8.5.9-10.J</p> <p>Common Core - Reading</p> <p>CC.8.6.9-10.A,</p> <p>CC.8.6.9-10.B,</p> <p>CC.8.6.9-10.C,</p> <p>CC.8.6.9-10.D.</p>

					<p>SWBA to identify the goals of the Seneca Falls Convention in 1848.</p> <p>SWBA to discuss the development of a unique American style in art and music in the mid-1800s.</p> <p>SWBA to explain the concept of Manifest Destiny.</p> <p>SWBA to list the reasons pioneers traveled west and describe the hardships they faced.</p> <p>SWBA to summarize the main events of the Mexican-American War.</p> <p>SWBA to discuss the effects of the 1849 California gold rush.</p> <p>SWBA to write an essay analyzing either the causes or the effects of the antislavery movement.</p>		<p>CC.8.6.9-10.E, CC.8.6.9-10.F, CC.8.6.9-10.G, CC.8.6.9-10.H, CC.8.6.9-10.I</p>
Review Unit 4: The Nation Expands and Changes							
Assessment Unit 4: The Nation Expands and Changes							
Unit 5: The Civil War and Reconstruction							
Unit Time Frame	Big Ideas	Essential Questions	Concepts (Know)	Competencies (Do)	Lesson Objectives/ Suggested Resources	Vocabulary	Standards/ Eligible Content
40 Days	Historical interpretation involves an analysis of cause and result.	How did the nation try but fail to deal with growing sectional differences?	The Civil War was a political, economic, and social turning point for the United States.	Explain how compromises over slavery failed and led to violence that consumed the nation	SWBA to explain why conflict arose over the issue of slavery in the territories after the Mexican-American War.	<p>Civil War</p> <p>Neutral</p> <p>Border State</p>	<p>8.1.5.A</p> <p>8.1.7.A</p> <p>8.1.9.A</p> <p>8.1.12.B</p> <p>8.1.U.B</p> <p>8.1.W.B</p>

	<p>The history of the United States continues to influence its citizens, and has impacted the rest of the world.</p>	<p>How did people, places, and things affect the outcome of the Civil War? What were the short-term and long-term effects of the Civil War?</p>		<p>Describe the impact of the Civil War and Reconstruction on the culture of the nation</p> <p>Collect information for and write a research paper on the Civil War</p>	<p>SWBA to list and describe the key events that occurred from 1850-1860 that further divided the nation on the issue of slavery.</p> <p>SWBA to describe the results of the election of 1860.</p> <p>SWBA to explain why southern states seceded from the Union.</p> <p>SWBA to identify the states that supported the Union, the states that seceded, and the states whose loyalties were divided.</p> <p>SWBA to describe advantages each side had in the war.</p> <p>SWBA to compare the strategies used by the North and the South.</p> <p>SWBA to explain how new weapons made fighting in the war more dangerous.</p> <p>SWBA to explain why Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation and identify the effects of the proclamation.</p> <p>SWBA to describe the significance of the battles of Antietam, Vicksburg, and Gettysburg.</p> <p>SWBA to explain how the Civil War ended.</p> <p>SWBA to describe the postwar challenges that faced the nation.</p> <p>SWBA to compare and contrast Lincoln and</p>	<p>Casualty</p> <p>Emancipate</p> <p>Draft</p> <p>Siege</p> <p>Total War</p> <p>Reconstruction</p> <p>Impeachment</p> <p>Amnesty</p> <p>Freedman</p> <p>Segregation</p> <p>Sharecropper</p>	<p>8.3.6.A 8.3.7.A 8.3.8.A 8.3.9.A 8.3.12.A 8.3.U.A</p> <p>Common Core - Writing CC.8.5.9-10.A, CC.8.5.9-10.B, CC.8.5.9-10.C, CC.8.5.9-10.D, CC.8.5.9-10.E, CC.8.5.9-10.F, CC.8.5.9-10.G, CC.8.5.9-10.H, CC.8.5.9-10.I, CC.8.5.9-10.J</p> <p>Common Core - Reading CC.8.6.9-10.A, CC.8.6.9-10.B, CC.8.6.9-10.C, CC.8.6.9-10.D, CC.8.6.9-10.E, CC.8.6.9-10.F, CC.8.6.9-10.G, CC.8.6.9-10.H, CC.8.6.9-10.I</p>
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Review Unit 5: The Civil War and Reconstruction							
Assessment Unit 5: The Civil War and Reconstruction							