



Social Studies

Grade 2

2nd Nine Weeks



This academic overview can be used to monitor and support your child's at-home learning progress.

Unit 2: Creating Community through History and Culture

Student Learning Targets

- I can identify the contributions of historical figures who have influenced Texas and the United States.
- I can describe how people and events have influenced the history of San Antonio.
- I can identify the significance of various cultural celebrations.
- I can identify individuals who exhibit individualism and inventiveness.

Questions to Check for Unit Understanding

- Who is an example of a historical figure who influenced Texas? What were his or her contributions to Texas?
- Who is an example of a historical figure who influenced the United States? What were his or her contributions to the United States?
- What is an important event in the history of San Antonio? Why is it important?

Key Academic Vocabulary

- Historical figure- a person in the past whose actions greatly affected others
- Cultural celebrations- an event that recognizes that traditions of a particular people or place

Unit 3: Governing Communities

Student Learning Targets

- I can identify the functions of government.
- I can identify services provided by the government in our community.
- I can identify the ways that public officials are selected, including through election and appointment.
- I can describe how citizens participate in their own government.
- I can compare the roles of public officials, including the mayor, the governor, and the president.

Questions to Check for Unit Understanding

- What are the functions of government?
- What are examples of services that are provided by the government?
- How are public officials chosen?
- How can citizens participate in government?

Key Academic Vocabulary

- Election- citizens vote to choose a person for a government position
- Appointment- a person is placed in a government position that is not filled through an election
- Mayor- the elected leader of a city government
- Governor- the elected leader of a state government
- President- the elected leader of the United States government