



Social Studies

Grade 5

2nd Nine Weeks



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

Unit 3: American Revolution

Student Learning Targets

- I can analyze the causes and effects of events prior to and during the American Revolution, including the taxation resulting from the French and Indian War and the colonist response to taxation such as the Boston Tea Party.
- I can summarize the results of the American Revolution, including the establishment of the United States.
- I can explain the purposes, key elements, and the importance of the Declaration of Independence.

Questions to Check for Unit Understanding

- Why did the British begin taxing the colonies following the French and Indian War?
- How did many colonists respond to the British economic policies?
- How did the American Revolution end?
- What was the purpose of the Declaration of Independence?

Key Academic Vocabulary

- Revolution-changing from one government structure to another
- Grievance-a complaint
- Boycott-to refuse to buy goods
- Taxation-process of collecting money from citizen in order to fund the government

Unit 4: Constitution and Government

Student Learning Targets

- I can explain the reasons for the creation of the Bill of Rights.
- I can identify and explain the basic functions of the three branches of government.
- I can distinguish between national and state governments and compare their responsibilities in the U.S. federal system.
- I can describe fundamental rights guaranteed in the Bill of Rights.

Questions to Check for Unit Understanding

- Why was the Bill of Rights created?
- What are some rights guaranteed in the Bill of Rights?
- What are some jobs/functions of the state government? What are some jobs/functions of the national government?
- What are the three branches of government and their roles?

Key Academic Vocabulary

- Federal system-a government where power is divided and shared between a national and state governments
- Amendment-change to the Constitution
- Legislative Branch- makes the laws
- Executive Branch- enforces the laws
- Judicial Branch- interprets the laws