

Unit 3: Wants and Needs

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Course(s): **Social Studies 1**
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Unit Summary

In this unit, students will focus on the difference between wants and needs. By the end of this unit, students will be able to distinguish between wants and needs by stating that needs are things that are necessary for our well-being whereas wants are things that are unnecessary, though they make us happy.

Standards

CRP.K-12.CRP3	Attend to personal health and financial well-being.
CRP.K-12.CRP5	Consider the environmental, social and economic impacts of decisions.
SOC.6.1.4.C.1	Apply opportunity cost (i.e., choices and tradeoffs) to evaluate individuals' decisions, including ones made in their communities.
SOC.6.1.4.C.2	Distinguish between needs and wants and explain how scarcity and choice influence decisions made by individuals, communities, and nations.
TECH.8.1.2.A.CS1	Understand and use technology systems.

Student Learning Objectives

The students will learn to...

- identify wants and needs.

Essential Questions

- What is a want in everyday life?
- What is a need in everyday life?

Enduring Understandings

Students will understand that...

- needs are things that are necessary for our well-being.
- wants are things that are unnecessary, though they make us happy.
- goods are objects that we buy; services are activities that we pay for.
- since people cannot have everything they want, they must make choices about using goods and services.

Application

Students will be able to independently use their learning to...

- identify wants.
- identify needs.
- distinguish between wants/needs.

Skills

Students will be skilled at...

- distinguishing between a want and a need.
- making choices about wants and needs.