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Unit Overview

In Period 9 students will examine that new conservatism changed American politics evident through the presidencies of Ronald Reagan, Gerald Ford, and Jimmy Carter and the successes and failure of the Clinton administration. Students will also examine the political fluctuation and seeming inability of the American people to force a consistent ideological stance.

Enduring Understanding

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- As higher education opportunities and new technologies rapidly expanded, increasing social mobility encouraged th

emigration of the middle class to the suburbs and of many Americans to the South and West. The Sun Belt region emerged as a significant political and economic force.

- Ronald Reagan's victory in the presidential election of 1980 represented an important milestone, allowing conservatives to enact significant tax cuts and continue the deregulation of many industries.
- Reagan asserted U.S. opposition to communism through speeches, diplomatic efforts, limited military interventions, and a buildup of nuclear and conventional weapons.

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- Policy debates continued over free-trade agreements, the scope of the government social safety net, and calls to reform the U.S. financial system.
- Real wages stagnated for the working and middle class amid growing economic inequality.
- Intense political and cultural debates continued over issues such as immigration policy, diversity, gender roles, and family structures.
- In the wake of attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, the United States launched military efforts against Terrorism and lengthy, controversial conflicts in Afghanistan and Iraq.
- Despite economic and foreign policy challenges, the United States continued as the world's leading superpower in the 21st century.

Essential Questions

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- Analyze the relative success of the Ford and Carter administrations in both domestic and foreign policy.
- To what degree and in what ways did American foreign policy in the 1970s and 1980s intensify Cold War conflict and to what degree and in what ways did it reduce Cold War tensions?
- To what degree and in what ways did the election of Ronald Reagan constitute a "revolution"?

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- Analyze the conflict over liberalism and conservatism in the 1990s and cite specific examples of conflict and accommodation.
- Analyze the reasons for and the results of the highly contested elections of 2000 and 2004.
- To what degree and in what ways did American foreign policy respond to direct and indirect threats to American security from terrorist organizations.

Exit Skills

By the end of Unit 9, students should be able to:

- apply domain-specific vocabulary in their verbal and written responses, essays and papers.

- deductively use new information and logically apply this evidence to a related problem.
- inductively gather information and deduce a theory based on their findings.
- gather information in meaningful clusters and apply their findings to specific problems.

New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSL-S)

SOC.6.1.12.A.14.a	Evaluate the effectiveness of the checks and balances system in preventing one branch of national government from usurping too much power during contemporary times.
SOC.6.1.12.A.14.b	Analyze how the Supreme Court has interpreted the Constitution to define the rights of the individual, and evaluate the impact on public policies.
SOC.6.1.12.A.14.c	Assess the merit and effectiveness of recent legislation in addressing the health, welfare, and citizenship status of individuals and groups.
SOC.6.1.12.A.14.d	Analyze the conflicting ideologies and actions of political parties regarding spending priorities, the role of government in the economy, and social reforms.
SOC.6.1.12.A.14.e	Evaluate the effectiveness and fairness of the process by which national, state, and local officials are elected and vote on issues of public concern.
SOC.6.1.12.A.14.f	Determine the extent to which nongovernmental organizations, special interest groups, third party political groups, and the media affect public policy.
SOC.6.1.12.A.14.g	Analyze the impact of community groups and state policies that strive to increase the youth vote (i.e., distribution of voter registration forms in high schools).
SOC.6.1.12.A.14.h	Assess the effectiveness of government policies in balancing the rights of the individual against the need for national security.
SOC.6.1.12.B.14.a	Determine the impact of recent immigration and migration patterns in New Jersey and the United States on demographic, social, economic, and political issues.
SOC.6.1.12.B.14.b	Analyze how regionalization, urbanization, and suburbanization have led to social and economic reform movements in New Jersey and the United States.
SOC.6.1.12.B.14.c	Evaluate the impact of individual, business, and government decisions and actions on the environment, and assess the efficacy of government policies and agencies in New Jersey and the United States in addressing these decisions.
SOC.6.1.12.B.14.d	Analyze the use of eminent domain in New Jersey and the United States from a variety of perspectives.
SOC.6.1.12.C.14.a	Use economic indicators to evaluate the effectiveness of state and national fiscal (i.e., government spending and taxation) and monetary (i.e., interest rates) policies.

SOC.6.1.12.C.14.b	Judge to what extent government should intervene at the local, state, and national levels on issues related to the economy.
SOC.6.1.12.C.14.c	Analyze economic trends, income distribution, labor participation (i.e., employment, the composition of the work force), and government and consumer debt and their impact on society.
SOC.6.1.12.C.14.d	Relate the changing manufacturing, service, science, and technology industries and educational opportunities to the economy and social dynamics in New Jersey.
SOC.6.1.12.C.15.a	Relate the role of America’s dependence on foreign oil to its economy and foreign policy.
SOC.6.1.12.D.14.a	Determine the relationship between United States domestic and foreign policies.
SOC.6.1.12.D.14.b	Assess the effectiveness of actions taken to address the causes of continuing urban tensions and violence.
SOC.6.1.12.D.14.c	Determine the impact of the changing role of labor unions on the economy, politics, and employer-employee relationships.
SOC.6.1.12.D.14.d	Evaluate the extent to which women, minorities, individuals with gender preferences, and individuals with disabilities have met their goals of equality in the workplace, politics, and society.
SOC.6.1.12.D.14.e	Evaluate the role of religion on cultural and social mores, public opinion, and political decisions.
SOC.6.1.12.D.14.f	Determine the influence of multicultural beliefs, products (i.e., art, food, music, and literature), and practices in shaping contemporary American culture.
SOC.6.1.12.D.15.c	Explain how and why religious tensions and historic differences in the Middle East have led to international conflicts, and analyze the effectiveness of United States policy and actions in bringing peaceful resolutions to the region.
SOC.6.1.12.D.15.d	Analyze the reasons for terrorism and the impact that terrorism has had on individuals and government policies, and assess the effectiveness of actions taken by the United States and other nations to prevent terrorism.
SOC.6.1.12.CS14	Contemporary United States: Domestic Policies: Differing views on government’s role in social and economic issues led to greater partisanship in government decision making. The increased economic prosperity and opportunities experienced by many masked growing tensions and disparities experienced by some individuals and groups. Immigration, educational opportunities, and social interaction have led to the growth of a multicultural society with varying values and perspectives.
SOC.6.1.12.CS15	Contemporary United States: International Policies: The United States has used various methods to achieve foreign policy goals that affect the global balance of power, national security, other national interests, and the development of democratic societies.

Interdisciplinary Connections

LA.RH.11-12.1	Accurately cite strong and thorough textual evidence, (e.g., via discussion, written response, etc.), to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, connecting insights gained from specific details to develop an understanding of the text as a whole.
LA.RH.11-12.2	Determine the theme, central ideas, information and/or perspective(s) presented in a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary of how key events, ideas and/or author’s perspective(s) develop over the course of the text.
LA.RH.11-12.3	Evaluate various perspectives for actions or events; determine which explanation best

	accords with textual evidence, acknowledging where the text leaves matters uncertain.
LA.RH.11-12.4	Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including analyzing how an author uses and refines the meaning of a key term over the course of a text (e.g., how Madison defines faction in Federalist No. 10).
LA.RH.11-12.5	Analyze in detail how a complex primary source is structured, including how key sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text contribute to the whole.
LA.RH.11-12.6	Evaluate authors' differing perspectives on the same historical event or issue by assessing the authors' claims, reasoning, and evidence.
LA.RH.11-12.7	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, qualitatively, as well as in words) in order to address a question or solve a problem.
LA.RH.11-12.8	Evaluate an author's claims, reasoning, and evidence by corroborating or challenging them with other sources.
LA.RH.11-12.9	Integrate information from diverse sources, both primary and secondary, into a coherent understanding of an idea or event, noting discrepancies among sources.
LA.RH.11-12.10	By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend history/social studies texts in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band independently and proficiently.
LA.WHST.11-12.1	Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.
LA.WHST.11-12.2	Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/experiments, or technical processes.
LA.WHST.11-12.4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
LA.WHST.11-12.5	Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience.
LA.WHST.11-12.6	Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, share, and update writing products in response to ongoing feedback, including new arguments or information.
LA.WHST.11-12.7	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.
LA.WHST.11-12.8	Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the specific task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation.
LA.WHST.11-12.9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.
LA.WHST.11-12.10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this section, please remove all remaining descriptions, notes, outlines, examples and/or illustrations that are not needed or used.

Effective Learning Objectives Used in Lesson Planning:

- Begin with an action verb from one or more of Bloom's Taxonomy categories listed below;
- Are measurable and/or observable, using action verbs, such as "differentiate," "classify," "justify;"
- Are not vague or passive verbs, such as "understand," "remember;"
- Increase the use of verbs from Bloom's Taxonomy's higher order thinking categories, including **Analyze** and **Evaluate**
- Construct authentic learning activities and assessments that are derived from the Bloom's Taxonomy category - **Create**
- Minimize the use of lower order thinking categories - Remember and Understand.

Examples:

- **Identify** nutrients found in common food sources using the product's nutrition label;
- Use computer dietary analysis to assess a 2-day dietary intake and **categorize** the results;
- **Research** nutrition-related information on the internet and **evaluate** the reliability of the information.

Action Verbs: Below are examples of action verbs associated with each level of the Revised Bloom's Taxonomy.

Remember	Understand	Apply	Analyze	Evaluate	Create
Choose	Classify	Choose	Categorize	Appraise	Combine
Describe	Defend	Dramatize	Classify	Judge	Compose
Define	Demonstrate	Explain	Compare	Criticize	Construct
Label	Distinguish	Generalize	Differentiate	Defend	Design
List	Explain	Judge	Distinguish	Compare	Develop
Locate	Express	Organize	Identify	Assess	Formulate
Match	Extend	Paint	Infer	Conclude	Hypothesize
Memorize	Give Examples	Prepare	Point out	Contrast	Invent
Name	Illustrate	Produce	Select	Critique	Make
Omit	Indicate	Select	Subdivide	Determine	Originate
Recite	Interrelate	Show	Survey	Grade	Organize
Select	Interpret	Sketch	Arrange	Justify	Plan
State	Infer	Solve	Breakdown	Measure	Produce
Count	Match	Use	Combine	Rank	Role Play
Draw	Paraphrase	Add	Detect	Rate	Drive
Outline	Represent	Calculate	Diagram	Support	Devise
Point	Restate	Change	Discriminate	Test	Generate
Quote	Rewrite	Classify	Illustrate		Integrate
Recall	Select	Complete	Outline		Prescribe
Recognize	Show	Compute	Point out		Propose
Repeat	Summarize	Discover	Separate		Reconstruct
Reproduce	Tell	Divide			Revise
	Translate	Examine			Rewrite
	Associate	Graph			Transform
	Compute	Interpolate			
	Convert	Manipulate			
	Discuss	Modify			
	Estimate	Operate			
	Extrapolate	Subtract			
	Generalize				
	Predict				



Suggested Activities & Best Practices

- Establish historical context by checking for understanding about events leading up to this time period (For example: AP Test Practice multiple choice questions for the Age of Reagan & the Age of Globalization)
- Build foundation through vocabulary and key people identification (For example: Suggested Study for people and places such as Gerald Ford, Bill Clinton, Ronald Reagan, Reagonomics, Ross Perot, Saddam Hussein; Hillary Rodham Clinton, Al Gore, Barack Obama, George H. Bush, George W. Bush, John McCain, and Taliban)
- Use of maps and interactive time lines to understand the context surrounding the time period/event (For Example: The Election of 1976; The Election of 1980; The Election of 1984; Total Immigration-1960 - 2010, Crisis in the Middle East)
- Use of primary sources from multiple sources (For example: Debating the Past: Women's History)
- Perspectives including view point, culture and class (For example: Patterns of Culture on the American mall and Rap music)
- Use of Ebook to interactively use the text book through videos, pictures, audio etc. (Topics include: Ronald Reagan & the Age of Globalization)
- Write a journal entry from a key persons point of view (For example: Ronald Reagan; George H. Bush; Bill Clinton;

George W. Bush, and Barack Obama)

- Research and collect historical evidence for an essay (For example: The End of the Cold War; Economic & Social Policies from 1980-2008; Leadership & Economic Policies of Ronald Reagan; Chief Successes & Failures of George H. Bush, Bill Clinton, George W. Bush, and Barack Obama)

Assessment Evidence - Checking for Understanding (CFU)

- Common Benchmarks for the Age of Reagan & the Age of Globalization.-benchmark assessment
 - Unit Tests for Period 9: 1980 - Present Day (the Age of Reagan & the Age of Globalization).-summative assessment
 - Long Essays (For Example: Analyze the conservative resurgence changed the economic and social policies of the US government from 19080-2008; Analyze how the end of the Cold War changed US foreign policy from 1991-2012; Compare/Contrast the leadership and economic policies of Ronald Reagan and Franklin Roosevelt; Compare/Contrast the major successes and failures of the presidential administrations from 1980 to present day).-alternate assessment
 - Think, pair, share-formative assessment
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- Admit Tickets
 - Anticipation Guide
 - Common Benchmarks
 - Compare & Contrast
 - Create a Multimedia Poster
 - DBQ's
 - Define
 - Describe
 - Evaluate
 - Evaluation rubrics
 - Exit Tickets
 - Explaining
 - Fist- to-Five or Thumb-Ometer
 - Illustration
 - Journals

- KWL Chart
- Learning Center Activities
- Multimedia Reports
- Newspaper Headline
- Outline
- Question Stems
- Quickwrite
- Quizzes
- Red Light, Green Light
- Self- assessments
- Socratic Seminar
- Study Guide
- Surveys
- Teacher Observation Checklist
- Think, Pair, Share
- Think, Write, Pair, Share
- Top 10 List
- Unit review/Test prep
- Unit tests
- Web-Based Assessments
- Written Reports

Primary Resources & Materials

Textbook:

American History - AP Edition (Fifteenth Edition)

McGraw Hill Education

Ancillary Resources

- NEWSELA
- COMMONLIT
- History.com
- Reading Like A Historian
- Close Read Screencasts
- Connect One

- Interactive Timelines

Technology Infusion

- Use of Google Chrome Books (Google Docs & Forms/Online Research for projects, Do Nows, Exit Tickets on the Age of Reagan & the Age of Globalization)
- Google Classroom (Posting Assignments/Class Discussion Questions for the Age of Reagan & the Age of Globalization)
- Various Online tools (For example: YouTube Videos on the Age of Reagan & the Age of Globalization)
- Online Databases from BHS Media Center (Research on the Age of Reagan & the Age of Globalization using EbscoHost, Infobase eBooks, and Facts on File, and Issues & Controversies)

Win 8.1 Apps/Tools Pedagogy Wheel

Podcasts
 Photostory 3
 Kid Story Builder
 Music Maker Jam
 Paint A Story
 Office 365
 MS PowerPoint
 Stack 'Em Up
 NqSquared Numbers
 Physamajig
 Xylophone 8

Wikipedia
 Skydrive
 Lync
 SkyMap
 Skype
 Office 365
 Puzzle Touch
 Easy QR
 Memorylage
 Life Moments
 Word Cloud Maker

Where's Waldo?
 MS Excel
 Flipboard
 Office 365
 Nova Mindmapping

Ted Talks
 Record Voice Pen



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Alignment to 21st Century Skills & Technology

Mastery and infusion of **21st Century Skills & Technology** and their Alignment to the core content areas is essential to student learning. The core content areas include:

- English Language Arts;
- Mathematics;
- Science and Scientific Inquiry (Next Generation);
- Social Studies, including American History, World History, Geography, Government and Civics, and Economics;
- World languages;
- Technology;
- Visual and Performing Arts.

CRP.K-12.CRP10.1	Career-ready individuals take personal ownership of their own education and career goals, and they regularly act on a plan to attain these goals. They understand their own career interests, preferences, goals, and requirements. They have perspective regarding the pathways available to them and the time, effort, experience and other requirements to pursue each, including a path of entrepreneurship. They recognize the value of each step in the education and experiential process, and they recognize that nearly all career paths require ongoing education and experience. They seek counselors, mentors, and other experts to assist in the planning and execution of career and personal goals.
CRP.K-12.CRP11.1	Career-ready individuals find and maximize the productive value of existing and new technology to accomplish workplace tasks and solve workplace problems. They are flexible and adaptive in acquiring new technology. They are proficient with ubiquitous technology applications. They understand the inherent risks-personal and organizational-of technology applications, and they take actions to prevent or mitigate these risks.
CRP.K-12.CRP12.1	Career-ready individuals positively contribute to every team, whether formal or informal. They apply an awareness of cultural difference to avoid barriers to productive and positive interaction. They find ways to increase the engagement and contribution of all team members. They plan and facilitate effective team meetings.
CAEP.9.2.12.C.8	Assess the impact of litigation and court decisions on employment laws and practices.
CAEP.9.2.12.C.9	Analyze the correlation between personal and financial behavior and employability.
TECH.8.1.12.A.CS2	Select and use applications effectively and productively.
TECH.8.1.12.B.CS2	Create original works as a means of personal or group expression.
TECH.8.1.12.C.CS1	Interact, collaborate, and publish with peers, experts, or others by employing a variety of digital environments and media.
TECH.8.1.12.C.CS2	Communicate information and ideas to multiple audiences using a variety of media and formats.
TECH.8.1.12.E.CS2	Locate, organize, analyze, evaluate, synthesize, and ethically use information from a variety of sources and media.
TECH.8.1.12.E.CS3	Evaluate and select information sources and digital tools based on the appropriateness for specific tasks.

21st Century Skills/Interdisciplinary Themes

The **21st Century/Interdisciplinary Themes** that will be incorporated into this unit include:

- Communication and Collaboration
- Information Literacy
- Media Literacy
- ICT(Information, Communications and Technology) Literacy
- Life and Career Skills
- Creativity and Innovation
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- Global Awareness
- Civic Literacy
- Environmental Literacy

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- Financial, Economic, Business and Entrepreneurial Literacy
- Global Awareness
- Health Literacy

Differentiation

- Small group instruction for guided notes on the Age of Reagan & the Age of Globalization.
- Small group assignment for Global Environmental Movement (Understand, Analyze, & Evaluate).

- Study guide for Period 9 1980-Present Day Unit Test.

Differentiations:

- Small group instruction
- Small group assignments
- Extra time to complete assignments
- Pairing oral instruction with visuals
- Repeat directions
- Use manipulatives
- Center-based instruction
- Token economy
- Study guides
- Teacher reads assessments allowed
- Scheduled breaks
- Rephrase written directions
- Multisensory approaches
- Additional time
- Preview vocabulary
- Preview content & concepts
- Story guides
- Behavior management plan
- Highlight text
- Student(s) work with assigned partner
- Visual presentation
- Assistive technology
- Auditory presentations
- Large print edition
- Dictation to scribe
- Small group setting

Hi-Prep Differentiations:

- Alternative formative and summative assessments
- Choice boards
- Games and tournaments
- Group investigations
- Guided Reading
- Independent research and projects
- Interest groups
- Learning contracts
- Leveled rubrics
- Literature circles
- Multiple intelligence options
- Multiple texts
- Personal agendas
- Project-based learning
- Problem-based learning

- Stations/centers
- Think-Tac-Toes
- Tiered activities/assignments
- Tiered products
- Varying organizers for instructions

Lo-Prep Differentiations

- Choice of books or activities
- Cubing activities
- Exploration by interest
- Flexible grouping
- Goal setting with students
- Jigsaw
- Mini workshops to re-teach or extend skills
- Open-ended activities
- Think-Pair-Share
- Reading buddies
- Varied journal prompts
- Varied supplemental materials

Special Education Learning (IEP's & 504's)

- Provide a copy of teacher's notes on the Age of Reagan & the Age of Globalization.
- Decrease the number of slides for student presentation on Suggested Study for people and places (For example:Gerald Ford, Bill Clinton, Ronald Reagan, Reagonomics, Ross Perot, Saddam Hussein; Hillary Rodham Clinton, Al Gore, Barack Obama, George H. Bush, George W. Bush, John McCain, and Taliban).
- Modify number of AP Test Practice multiple choice questions for Age of Reagan & the Age of Globalization.

- printed copy of board work/notes provided
- additional time for skill mastery
- assistive technology
- behavior management plan
- Center-Based Instruction
- check work frequently for understanding

- computer or electronic device utilizes
- extended time on tests/ quizzes
- have student repeat directions to check for understanding
- highlighted text visual presentation
- modified assignment format
- modified test content
- modified test format
- modified test length
- multiple test sessions
- multi-sensory presentation
- preferential seating
- preview of content, concepts, and vocabulary
- Provide modifications as dictated in the student's IEP/504 plan
- reduced/shortened reading assignments
- Reduced/shortened written assignments
- secure attention before giving instruction/directions
- shortened assignments
- student working with an assigned partner
- teacher initiated weekly assignment sheet
- Use open book, study guides, test prototypes

English Language Learning (ELL)

- Provide a copy of teacher's notes in English and native language on the Age of Reagan & the Age of Globalization.
- Decrease the number of slides for student presentation on Suggested Study for people and places (For example:Gerald Ford, Bill Clinton, Ronald Reagan, Reagonomics, Ross Perot, Saddam Hussein; Hillary Rodham Clinton, Al Gore, Barack Obama, George H. Bush, George W. Bush, John McCain, and Taliban).
- Modify number of AP Test Practice multiple choice questions for the Age of Reagan & the Age of Globalization.

- teaching key aspects of a topic. Eliminate nonessential information
- using videos, illustrations, pictures, and drawings to explain or clarify
- allowing products (projects, timelines, demonstrations, models, drawings, dioramas, poster boards, charts, graphs, slide shows, videos, etc.) to demonstrate student's learning;
- allowing students to correct errors (looking for understanding)
- allowing the use of note cards or open-book during testing

- decreasing the amount of work presented or required
- having peers take notes or providing a copy of the teacher's notes
- modifying tests to reflect selected objectives
- providing study guides
- reducing or omitting lengthy outside reading assignments
- reducing the number of answer choices on a multiple choice test
- tutoring by peers
- using computer word processing spell check and grammar check features
- using true/false, matching, or fill in the blank tests in lieu of essay tests

At Risk

- Allow the use of note cards on the Unit Test on Period 6 (1865-1898); Topics include: the Age of Reagan & the Age of Globalization.
 - Decrease the number of slides for student presentation on Suggested Study for people and places (For example: Gerald Ford, Bill Clinton, Ronald Reagan, Reaganomics, Ross Perot, Saddam Hussein; Hillary Rodham Clinton, Al Gore, Barack Obama, George H. Bush, George W. Bush, John McCain, and Taliban).
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 - allowing products (projects, timelines, demonstrations, models, drawings, dioramas, poster boards, charts, graphs, slide shows, videos, etc.) to demonstrate student's learning
 - allowing students to select from given choices
 - allowing the use of note cards or open-book during testing
 - collaborating (general education teacher and specialist) to modify vocabulary, omit or modify items to reflect objectives for the student, eliminate sections of the test, and determine how the grade will be determined prior to giving the test.
 - decreasing the amount of work presented or required
 - having peers take notes or providing a copy of the teacher's notes
 - marking students' correct and acceptable work, not the mistakes
 - modifying tests to reflect selected objectives
 - providing study guides
 - reducing or omitting lengthy outside reading assignments
 - reducing the number of answer choices on a multiple choice test
 - tutoring by peers
 - using authentic assessments with real-life problem-solving
 - using true/false, matching, or fill in the blank tests in lieu of essay tests
 - using videos, illustrations, pictures, and drawings to explain or clarify

Talented and Gifted Learning (T&G)

- Project-based learning for in-depth research on the Age of Reagan & the Age of Globalization.
 - Use research to debate Reagan's policy known as Reaganomics.
 - Allow students to work at a faster pace on DBQ's and Long Essays related to the topics of the Age of Reagan & the Age of Globalization.
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- Above grade level placement option for qualified students
 - Advanced problem-solving
 - Allow students to work at a faster pace
 - Cluster grouping
 - Complete activities aligned with above grade level text using Benchmark results
 - Create a blog or social media page about their unit
 - Create a plan to solve an issue presented in the class or in a text
 - Debate issues with research to support arguments
 - Flexible skill grouping within a class or across grade level for rigor
 - Higher order, critical & creative thinking skills, and discovery
 - Multi-disciplinary unit and/or project
 - Teacher-selected instructional strategies that are focused to provide challenge, engagement, and growth opportunities
 - Utilize exploratory connections to higher-grade concepts
 - Utilize project-based learning for greater depth of knowledge

Sample Lesson

See sample in Unit 1.