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Unit Overview

In Unit 6 students will learn about the changes that took place in the United States after World War II. They will examine the Truman and Eisenhower administrations, the American Dream in the 1950s, popular culture, and poverty.

Enduring Understanding

1. The Truman and Eisenhower administrations led the nation to make social, economic, and political adjustments following World War II.

2. During the 1950s the economy boomed, and many Americans enjoyed material comfort.

3. Mainstream Americans, as well as the nation's subcultures, embraced new forms of entertainment during the 1950s.

4. Amidst the prosperity of the 1950s, millions of Americans lived in poverty.

Essential Questions

1. Were the 1950s a time of prosperity for all Americans? Explain.

2. How did culture change in the 1950s?

2. Overall, how did the new innovations, social changes, and political shifts impact Americans in the 1950s?

3. How did the changing nature of American society of the 1950s impact the views and behaviors of Americans during this era in history?

4. How did the media, specifically television, shape the mindsets and establish the social norms of the 1950s?

5. What technology was developed in the 1950s and how did this technology impact American society during this time period?

6. Was the 1950s a time of great prosperity or a time of uncertainty and turmoil in America?

7. To what extent were the 1950s a time of great peace, progress, and prosperity for Americans?

8. What was the role and legacy of Dwight D. Eisenhower during the 1950s in American society?

9. How did the suburbs of America rise in the 1950s and how did the suburbs add to America's ideas of security and conformity during this decade?

10. How did the youth respond to the changing society, values, and norms in the 1950s?

Exit Skills

1. Students should be able to apply domain-specific vocabulary in their verbal and written responses, essays and papers.

2. Students should be able to choose a side to a query and provide logical argument for their choice.

3. Students should be able to deductively use new information and logically apply this evidence to a related problem.

4. Students should be able to inductively gather information and deduce a theory based on their findings.

5. Students should be able to gather information in meaningful clusters and apply their findings to specific problems.

Task

Write an persuasive essay that answers this question:

Were the 1950s a time of prosperity for all Americans?

1. Your essay should include key people, events, and turning points of the 1950s.
2. Cite evidence to support your position.
3. Organize your essay into an introduction, body, and conclusion.

Vacabulary

Baby Boom

Beat

Beatnik

Checkers Speech

Consumerism

New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSLS-S)

SOC.6.1.12	U.S. History: America in the World: All students will acquire the knowledge and skills to think analytically about how past and present interactions of people, cultures, and the environment shape the American heritage. Such knowledge and skills enable students to make informed decisions that reflect fundamental rights and core democratic values as productive citizens in local, national, and global communities.
SOC.6.1.12.8	Postwar United States (1945 to early 1970s)
SOC.6.1.12.B.13	Geography, People, and the Environment
SOC.6.1.12.B.13.a	Determine the factors that led to migration from American cities to suburbs in the 1950s and 1960s, and describe how this movement impacted cities.
SOC.6.1.12.C.13.c	Evaluate the effectiveness of social legislation that was enacted to end poverty in the 1960s and today by assessing the economic impact on the economy (e.g., inflation, recession, taxation, deficit spending, employment, education).

Interdisciplinary Connections

Witness for the Prosecution—High school students take on the role of investigative journalist and read the play Witness for the Prosecution by Agatha Christie. After each act of the play, students write news stories using facts from the play. www.teachnet-lab.org/fklane/pmaslow/witness.htm

0xLA.11-12.SL.11-12.2	Integrate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) in order to make informed decisions and solve problems, evaluating the credibility and accuracy of each source and noting any discrepancies among the data.

0xLA.RI.11-12.1	Accurately cite strong and thorough textual evidence, (e.g., via discussion, written response, etc.), to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferentially, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
0xLA.RI.11-12.7	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words in order to address a question or solve a problem.
0xLA.RL.11-12.1	Cite strong and thorough textual evidence and make relevant connections to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.
0xLA.SL.11-12.4	Present information, findings and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically. The content, organization, development, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
0xLA.W.11-12.1	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.
0xLA.W.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.
0xMA.9-12.S-CP	Conditional Probability and the Rules of Probability
0xMA.9-12.S-CP.B	Use the rules of probability to compute probabilities of compound events in a uniform probability model
0xMA.9-12.S-IC.B	Make inferences and justify conclusions from sample surveys, experiments, and observational studies
0xMA.9-12.S-ID.A	Summarize, represent, and interpret data on a single count or measurement variable
0xMA.9-12.S-MD	Using Probability to Make Decisions
0xTECH.8.1.12	All students will use digital tools to access, manage, evaluate, and synthesize information in order to solve problems individually and collaborate and to create and communicate knowledge.
0xTECH.8.1.12.A.4	Construct a spreadsheet workbook with multiple worksheets, rename tabs to reflect the data on the worksheet, and use mathematical or logical functions, charts and data from all worksheets to convey the results.
0xTECH.8.1.12.B	Students demonstrate creative thinking, construct knowledge and develop innovative products and process using technology.
0xTECH.8.1.12.E	Students apply digital tools to gather, evaluate, and use information.
0xTECH.8.1.12.F	Students use critical thinking skills to plan and conduct research, manage projects, solve problems, and make informed decisions using appropriate digital tools and resources.
0xTECH.8.2.12.C	The design process is a systematic approach to solving problems.

Learning Objectives

1. Assess the role of the public and private sectors in promoting economic growth and ensuring economic stability.

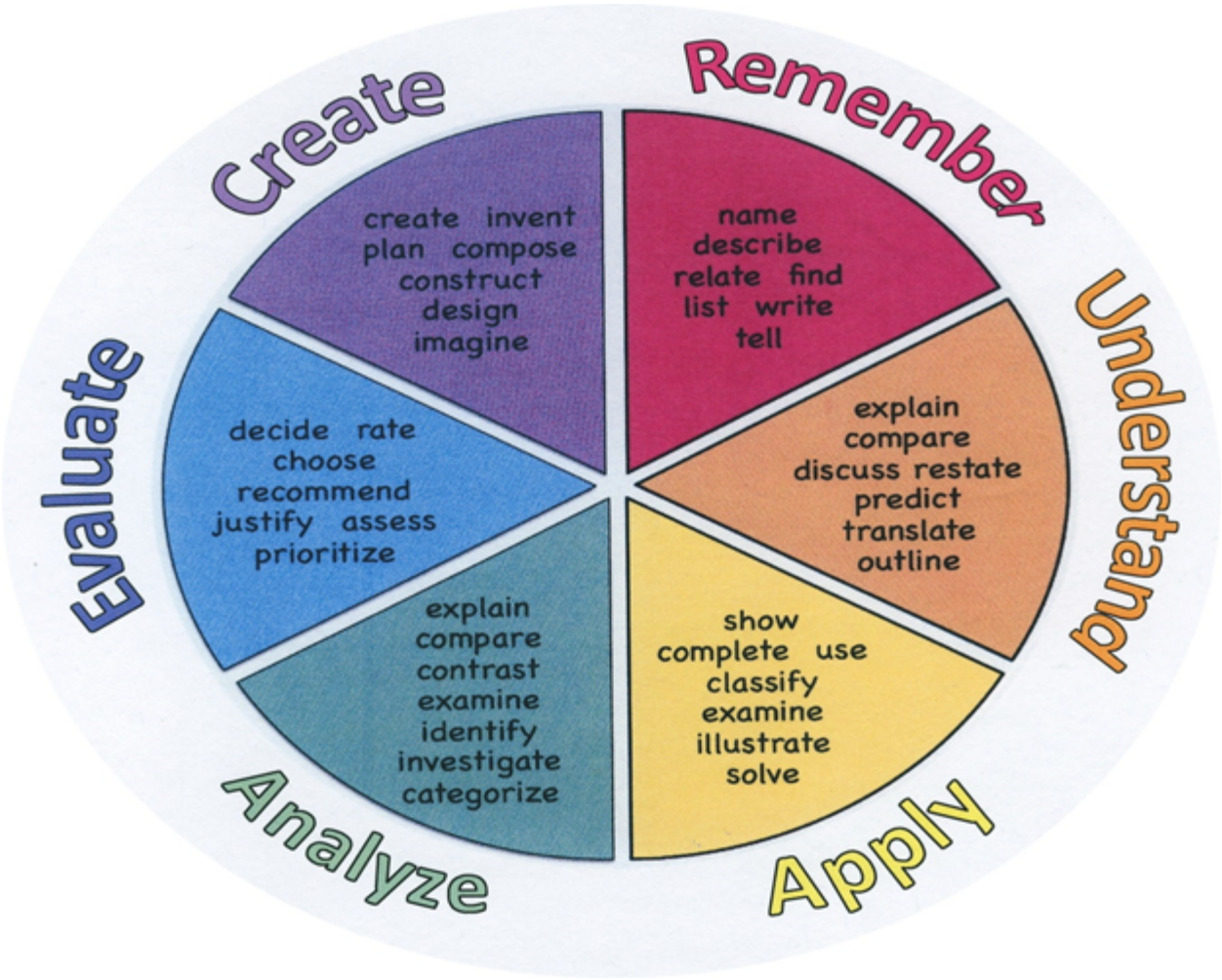
2. Evaluate the effectiveness of economic policies that sought to combat post-World War II inflation.

3. Evaluate the effectiveness of social legislation that was enacted to end poverty in the 1960s and today by assessing the economic impact on the economy (e.g., inflation, recession, taxation, deficit spending, employment, education).

4. Relate American economic expansion after World War II to increased consumer demand.

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

What Do Best Practices Look Like? Classrooms that exemplify best practices are easy to detect as soon as you enter the room. • Project materials and books are numerous. • Students are engaged and focused on their work. • Teachers often use collaborative and/or authentic tasks that place students at the center of the learning process. • Seating arrangements are clustered, varied and functional with multiinstructional areas. • Classrooms are activity-based spaces as opposed to places to “sit and get” lectures. • Teachers are actively engaged with different groups and students are anxious to enlist visitors in their various tasks or assignments. • There is a joyful feeling of purposeful movement, industrious thinking and a vital and vibrant atmosphere and environment.

1. Engage with History

Suppose you are a beat poet who has been asked to write an original poem entitled "A Postwar American Dream". Use information from the module and your knowledge of American history to support your poem.

Remember to include a wide range of lifestyles in your poem.

2. Focus on Writing

In 1956 President Eisenhower signed the Interstate Highway Act that led to the construction of a nationwide highway network. Write a persuasive essay supporting the law. In the first part of your essay, clearly outline the benefits created by the law. Include information about the factors that led to the creation of suburbs and planned communities such as Levittown and how those factors were related to the need for new roads. In the second part of your essay, address the concerns of those who oppose the law.

3. Multimedia Activity

During the baby boom generation, there were many important advancements in science and technology that led to new inventions and new lifestyles for Americans. Write a blog post about a postwar technological change or invention, and explain how it changed American culture. For example, you could write about how the development of microwave relays led to the spread of television and explain the resulting changes to American life. Use the internet to research a variety of primary and secondary sources to create your post, such as videos, photographs, maps, and first-person accounts.

Assessment Evidence - Checking for Understanding (CFU)

• Exit Tickets-formative assessment
• Admit Tickets
• Common benchmarks
• Evaluation rubrics
• Self- assessments
• Unit tests-summative assessment
• Quizzes

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Written reports-alternate assessment

- 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

Text: American History (2018) HMH Social Studies

Website: The History channel, PBS, United streaming and Channel One News

Ancillary Resources

History Channel Videos

" Eisenhower Wins in a Landslide"

"Desegregation of the Army"

"Nixon's Checkers Speech"

"Suburbia and the Baby Boom"

"The Age of the Automobile"

"The Rise of Television"

Document-Based Investigations

Graphic Organizers

Interactive Games

Image with Hotspots: Building Levittown

Carousel: Americans Hit the Road

Technology Infusion

What **Technology Infusion** and/or strategies are integrated into this unit to enhance learning? Please list all hardware, software and strategies. Please find a technology pedagogy wheel for assistance while completing this section.

- Google Classroom activities
- Google exit tix
- Use of Google Chrome Books
- Google Classroom to communicate information to the students
- Various Online tools

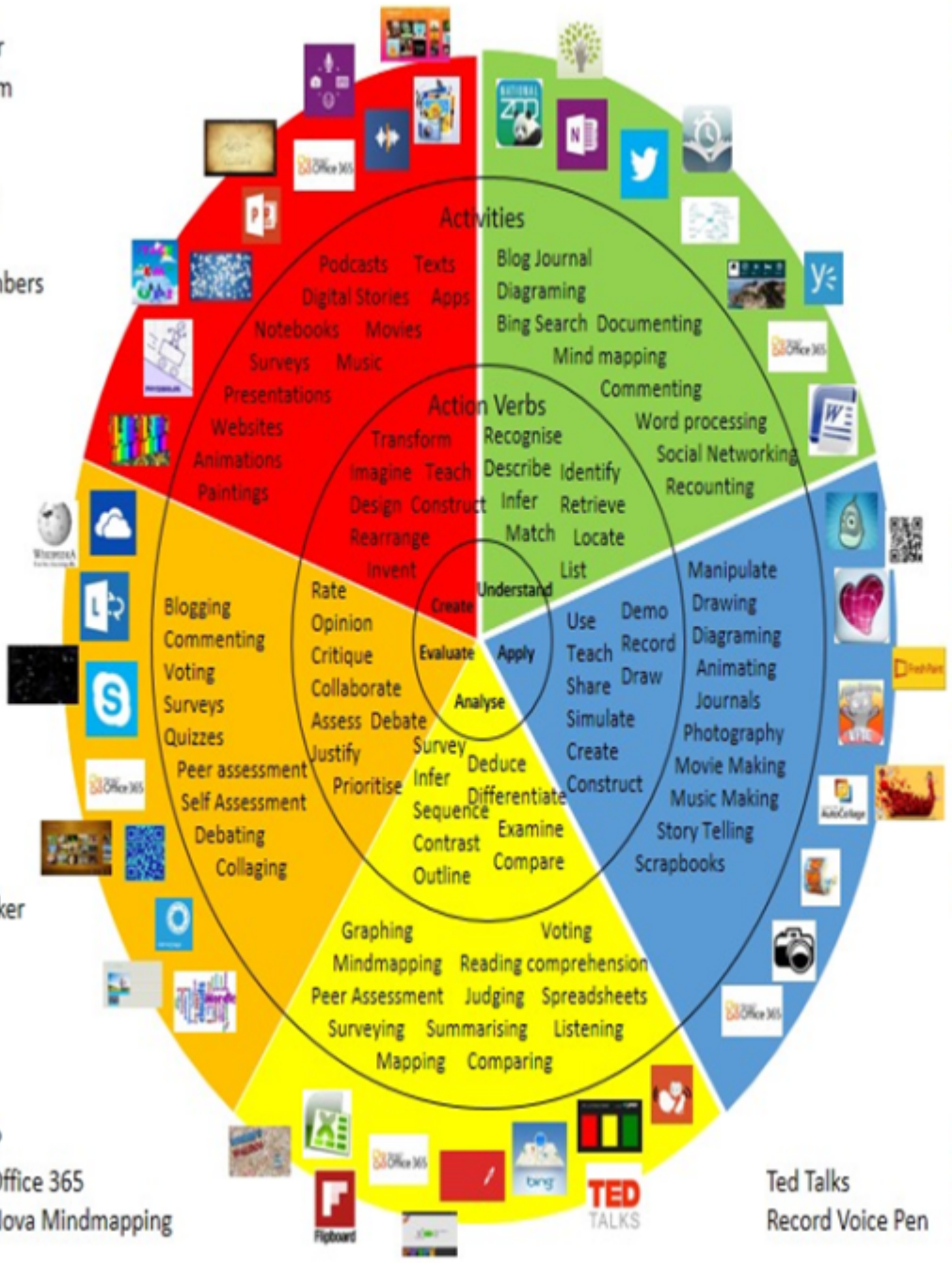
Win 8.1 Apps/Tools Pedagogy Wheel

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 of key subjects and 21st century themes is essential for all students in the 21stcentury.

Key subjects include:

- English, reading or language arts
- World languages
- Arts
- Mathematics
- Economics
- Science
- Geography
- History
- Government and Civics

21st Century Skills/Interdisciplinary Themes

0x • Global Awareness
0x • Financial, Economic, Business and Entrepreneurial Literacy
0x • Civic Literacy
0x • Health Literacy
0x • Environmental Literacy

- Communication and Collaboration
- Creativity and Innovation
- Critical thinking and Problem Solving
- ICT (Information, Communications and Technology) Literacy
- Information Literacy
- Life and Career Skills
- Media Literacy

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- Global Awareness
- Health Literacy

Differentiation

The basis of good differentiation in a lesson lies in differentiating by content, process, and/or product.

Resources:

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

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

Please identify the **Special Education Learning** adaptations that will be employed in the unit, using the ones identified below.

- 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
- multi-sensory presentation
- multiple test sessions
- 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)

Please identify the **English Language Learning** adaptations that will be employed in the unit, using the ones identified below.

- teaching key aspects of a topic. Eliminate nonessential information
- using videos, illustrations, pictures, and drawings to explain or clarif
- 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 workpresented 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

Please identify Intervention Strategies that will be employed in the unit, using the ones identified below.

- allowing students to correct errors (looking for understanding)
- teaching key aspects of a topic. Eliminate nonessential information
- 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 workpresented 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)

Please identify the **Talented and Gifted** adaptations that will be employed in the unit, using the ones identified below.

- 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

Unit Name: The Post War Boom

Students will understand and be able to explain why people moved out of the cities and into the suburbs.

Interdisciplinary Connection: Language Arts

Statement of Objective: Students will understand why suburbs grew after WW2.

Anticipatory Set/Do Now:

- 1-Minute research
- 3-5 question
- Quick Video

Learning Activity: Students are working in tiered groups on a series of research questions that would give them an idea of what the first settlers encountered in North America.

Student Assessment/CFU's:

- Creative Writing
- Exam/Quiz
- Class Participation
  Materials: Laptop, LCD, Text Maps, handouts,

21st Century Themes and Skills:

- Civic literacy
- Creativity and Innovation
- Critical Thinking and Problem Solving

Differentiation: Tiered grouping, these groups are put together during the first few weeks of school and will change during the school year.