

# Unit 3: Communities Build a Nation

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### **Unit 3: Communities Build a Nation**

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## **Unit Overview**

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Chapter 3 focuses on building a nation. Students will learn how our past affects our present. Students will learn how communities build a nation. Students will learn that people came to America to find wealth, land, and resources. Students will learn how American exploration and settlement caused changes in the lives of people at the time. Students will learn how the changes caused by American exploration and settlement affect our lives.

(Reference myWorld Interactive, Chapter 3)

## **Enduring Understandings**

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- People came to America to find wealth, land, and resources.
- American exploration and settlement caused changes in the lives of people at the time.
- The changes caused by American exploration and settlement affect our lives today.

## **Essential Questions**

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### **Lesson 1: America's First Peoples**

- How does geography influence communities?
- How does the past connect to the present?
- Why was cooperation important to American Indians?

### **Lesson 2: Early Explorers**

- What are the causes and effects of European exploration?
- How have Spanish, French, and English explorers impacted the world?

- How did Columbus contribute to the creation of new communities?

### **Lesson 3: Early Spanish Communities**

- Why did the Spanish form communities in the present-day United States?
- What events were important to the Spanish settlements?
- Which explorers contributed to the expansion or creation of new communities?

### **Lesson 4: Early French Communities**

- Why was the location of Quebec City so important?
- How did the French explorers shape present-day North America?
- What events are important to the French communities?

### **Lesson 5: Early English Communities**

- Why did settlers come from England to North America?
- Why did the English settle the Americas?
- Why is the settlement important to us today?

### **Lesson 6: Creating a New Nation**

- What are the causes and effects of the American Revolution?
- How did the Founding Fathers help build a new nation?
- How did the American Revolution impact the colonies?

## **Exit Skills**

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**By the end of Chapter 3, students will be able to:**

- Acquire and accurately use domain specific words.
- Summarize two early forms of government in North American and determine why they were created.
- Analyze the reason the Spaniards built pueblos and presidios.
- Compare the actions of Spanish, French, and English explorers.
- Determine the achievement of different explorers.
- Write about an explorers experience from their point-of-view.
- Determine how past events influenced our lives.
- Justify the importance of cooperation among Native Americans.
- Identify reasons for exploration by European explorers.
- Explain the reasons and resulting effects of Spanish exploration.
- Describe the findings of French exploration.
- Describe the sequence of English exploration.
- Describe the creation and significance of key documents.
- Identify the documents that exemplify American history and ideals.
- Describe how individuals, events, and ideas have formed and changed government.
- Identify the purpose of the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution, including the Bill of Rights.

## **New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSLS)**

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SOC.6.1.4.A.1	Explain how rules and laws created by community, state, and national governments protect the rights of people, help resolve conflicts, and promote the common good.
SOC.6.1.4.A.9	Compare and contrast responses of individuals and groups, past and present, to violations of fundamental rights (e.g., fairness, civil rights, human rights).
SOC.6.1.4.A.CS3	American constitutional government is based on principles of limited government, shared authority, fairness, and equality.
SOC.6.1.4.A.CS4	There are different branches within the United States government, each with its own structure, leaders, and processes, and each designed to address specific issues and concerns.
SOC.6.1.4.A.CS6	The examination of individual experiences, historical narratives, and events promotes an understanding of individual and community responses to the violation of fundamental rights.
SOC.6.1.4.D.1	Determine the impact of European colonization on Native American populations, including the Lenni Lenape of New Jersey.
SOC.6.1.4.D.3	Evaluate the impact of voluntary and involuntary immigration on America's growth as a nation, historically and today.
SOC.6.1.4.D.CS2	Key historical events, documents, and individuals led to the development of our nation.

## **Interdisciplinary Connections**

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LA.RI.3.1	Ask and answer questions, and make relevant connections to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.
LA.RI.3.2	Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.
LA.RI.3.3	Describe the relationship between a series of historical events, scientific ideas or concepts, or steps in technical procedures in a text, using language that pertains to time, sequence, and cause/effect.
LA.RI.3.4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a grade 3 topic or subject area.
LA.RI.3.7	Use information gained from text features (e.g., illustrations, maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).
LA.RI.3.10	By the end of the year, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at grade level text-complexity or above, with scaffolding as needed.

LA.W.3.10	Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, metacognition/self-correction and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.
LA.SL.3.1	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher led) with diverse partners on grade 3 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
LA.SL.3.1.A	Explicitly draw on previously read text or material and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion.
LA.SL.3.1.B	Follow agreed-upon norms for discussions (e.g., gaining the floor in respectful ways, listening to others with care, speaking one at a time about the topics and texts under discussion).
LA.SL.3.1.C	Ask questions to check understanding of information presented, stay on topic, and link their comments to the remarks of others.
LA.SL.3.1.D	Explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.
TECH.8.1.2	Educational Technology: 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.
TECH.8.2.2	Technology Education, Engineering, Design, and Computational Thinking - Programming: All students will develop an understanding of the nature and impact of technology, engineering, technological design, computational thinking and the designed world as they relate to the individual, global society, and the environment.

## **Learning Objectives**

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### **Lesson 1: America's First Peoples**

- Determine the influence geography has on communities.
- Create connections between the past and the present.
- Justify the importance of cooperation to American Indians.

### **Lesson 2: Early Explorers**

- Construct a graphic organizer to demonstrate the causes and effects of European exploration.
- Determine the impact Spanish, French, and English explorers had on the world.
- Analyze Christopher Columbus's contributions to the creation of new communities.

### **Lesson 3: Early Spanish Communities**

- Construct a written response explaining why the Spanish chose to form communities in the United States.
- Create a timeline of important events to Spanish settlements.
- Identify and describe explorers that contributed to the expansion and creation of new communities.

### **Lesson 4: Early French Communities**

- Evaluate the importance of Quebec city for French communities.
- Determine the impact French explorers had on present-day North America.
- Create a timeline of important events to the French communities.

### **Lesson 5: Early English Communities**

- Create a written response explaining why settlers came from England to North America.
- Determine the reasons why the English wanted to settle North America.
- Evaluate the importance of the English settlement to us today?

## **Lesson 6: Creating a New Nation**

- Construct a graphic organizer showing the causes and effects of the American Revolution.
- Analyze how the Founding Fathers helped build a new nation.
- Determine the impact the American Revolution had on the colonies.

## **Suggested Activities & Best Practices**

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### **Chapter 3- Communities Build a Nation**

- Rap About It
- Quest Project-Based Learning
- Jumpstart Activity

#### **Lesson 1: America's First Peoples**

- Jumpstart Activity
- Interactivity
- Quest Connection
- Literacy Skills

#### **Lesson 2: Early Explorers**

- Jumpstart Activity
- Interactivity
- Quest Connection
- Map and Graph Skills

#### **Lesson 3: Early Spanish Communities**

- Jumpstart Activity
- Interactivity

#### **Lesson 4: Early French Communities**

- Jumpstart Activity
- Interactivity

#### **Lesson 5: Early English Communities**

- Jumpstart Activity
- Interactivity

#### **Lesson 6: Creating a New Nation**

- Jumpstart Activity
- Interactivity
- Quest Connection
- Primary Source
- Citizenship

## **Assessment Evidence - Checking for Understanding (CFU)**

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The following techniques will be implemented to check for understanding:

- Quizzes
- Unit tests
- Multimedia Reports
- 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**

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- myWorld Interactive consumable worktext
- myWorld Interactive teacher manual
- myWorld Interactive activity mats

## **Ancillary Resources**

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- Nonfiction books (early explorers)
- BrainPop Educators (Henry Hudson)
- Scholastic (Explorers of the New World)

## **Technology Infusion**

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- Webquest (French explorers)
- YouTube (Spanish explorers)
- BrainPop Jr. (Christopher Columbus)



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

Ted Talks  
Record Voice Pen



## **Alignment to 21st Century Skills & Technology**

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### **21st Century Skills & Technology:**

- English Language Arts
- Technology
- Mathematics
- Visual and Performing Arts

## **21st Century Skills/Interdisciplinary Themes**

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- Communication and Collaboration
- Creativity and Innovation
- Critical thinking and Problem Solving
- Information Literacy
- Media Literacy

## **21st Century Skills**

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- Civic Literacy
- Environmental Literacy
- Global Awareness

## **Differentiation**

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### **The following differentiation strategies will be utilized:**

- As needed, provide more instruction that is on level or below grade level for the students who are struggling.
- Monitor progress, reteach as needed, and extend student thinking.
- Utilize multiple intelligences teaching strategies.

### **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)**

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**The following strategies will be employed for students with IEP's and 504's:**

- Provide modifications as dictated in the student's IEP/504 plan.
- Check work frequently for understanding.
- Extended time on tests/quizzes
- 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)**

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**The following strategies will be employed for English Language Learners:**

- Decreasing the amount of work presented or required.
  - 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.
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- 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**

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### **The following strategies will be employed for At Risk Learners:**

- Decreasing the amount of work presented or required.
  - Teaching key aspects of a topic. Eliminate nonessential information.
  - Tutoring by peers.
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- 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 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)**

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#### **The following Talented and Gifted adaptations will be employed:**

- Higher order, critical & creative thinking skills, and discovery.
  - Flexible skill grouping within a class or across grade level for rigor.
  - Teacher-selected instructional strategies that are focused to provide challenge, engagement, and growth opportunities.
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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

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Using the template below, please develop a **Sample Lesson** for the first unit only.

Unit Name:

NJSLS:

Interdisciplinary Connection:

Statement of Objective:

Anticipatory Set/Do Now:

Learning Activity:

Student Assessment/CFU's:

Materials:

21st Century Themes and Skills:

Differentiation/Modifications:

Integration of Technology: