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Unit Overview

Chapter six provides detailed information about the Southeast region of the United States. The content within the chapter focuses on the land, water, climate, resources, settlement, and lifestyle in the Southeast. Students explore these topics using primary sources and literacy skills.

(Reference myWorld Interactive, Chapter 6)

Enduring Understandings

- The Southeast has unique landforms, bodies of water, resources, and wildlife.
- People of the Southeast adapt to the region's unique climate. including its extreme weather.
- The Southeast played an important role in the founding and growth of the United States.
- The Southeast has undergone many social economic changes since the Civil War.

Essential Questions

Lesson 1: Land and Water of the Southeast

- What types of landforms are located in the Southeast?
- What major rivers and bodies of water are located in the Southeast?
- How do the lands in the Southeast support different kinds of plans and animals?

Lesson 2: Climate of the Southeast

- What type of weather and climate exists in the Southeast?
- How do major storms affect the Southeast?
- How do people in the Southeast change their environment in order to prepare for extreme weather events?
- How do people in the Southeast handle the effects of extreme weather?

Lesson 3: A Land of Many Resources

- What major resources are found in the Southeast?
- How have the resources of the Southeast shaped the lives of the region's people?
- How does the region's people interact with and change their environment in order to obtain resources?

Lesson 4: Settling the Southeast

- Which groups have settled in the Southeast during its history?
- What role did the people of the Southeast play in the formation of the United States and in the nation's early history?
- What role did the people of the Southeast have in trans Appalachian expansions and in the settling of states across the country?
- What key figures made achievements in the history of the Southeast?

Lesson 5: Southern Life

- What are the major cultural achievements of the Southeast?
- What widespread influence did the culture of the Southeast have on the rest of the country and the world?
- What social and economic changes has the Southeast experienced since the Civil War?
- What are the major cities of the Southeast like?

Exit Skills

By the end of Chapter 6, students will be able to:

- Apply and accurately use domain-specific words in context.
- Describe how hurricanes affect people in the Southeast.
- Explain why World Heritage Sites are special.
- Identify important figures of the Southeast and their contributions to the region.
- Locate important features of the Southeast on a map.
- Sequence events that occurred in the Southeast.
- Describe the culture of the Southeast.
- Explain how having two coasts affected the Southeast.

New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSLS)

SOC.6.1.4.B.4	Describe how landforms, climate and weather, and availability of resources have impacted where and how people live and work in different regions of New Jersey and the United States.
SOC.6.1.4.B.CS4	Regions form and change as a result of unique physical/ecological conditions, economies, and cultures.
SOC.6.1.4.B.CS5	Patterns of settlement across Earth's surface differ markedly from region to region, place to place, and time to time.

Interdisciplinary Connections

LA.RI.4.1	Refer to details and examples in a text and make relevant connections when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.
LA.RI.4.2	Determine the main idea of a text and explain how it is supported by key details; summarize the text.
LA.RI.4.3	Explain events, procedures, ideas, or concepts in a historical, scientific, or technical text, including what happened and why, based on specific information in the text.
LA.RI.4.4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words or phrases in a text relevant to a grade 4 topic or subject area.
LA.RI.4.7	Interpret information presented visually, orally, or quantitatively (e.g., in charts, graphs, diagrams, time lines, animations, or interactive elements on Web pages) and explain how the information contributes to an understanding of the text in which it appears.
LA.RI.4.10	By the end of year, read and comprehend literary nonfiction at grade level text-complexity or above, with scaffolding as needed.
LA.W.4.10	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.4.1	Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grade 4 topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.
LA.SL.4.1.A	Explicitly draw on previously read text or material and other information known about the

	topic to explore ideas under discussion.
LA.SL.4.1.B	Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions and carry out assigned roles.
LA.SL.4.1.C	Pose and respond to specific questions to clarify or follow up on information, and make comments that contribute to the discussion and link to the remarks of others.
LA.SL.4.1.D	Review the key ideas expressed and explain their own ideas and understanding in light of the discussion.
LA.SL.4.2	Paraphrase portions of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, and orally).
LA.SL.4.3	Identify the reasons and evidence a speaker provides to support particular points.

Learning Objectives

Lesson 1: Land and Water of the Southeast

- Identify types of landforms in the Southeast.
- Determine the importance of the major rivers and bodies of water in the Southeast.
- Evaluate how the lands in the Southeast support different kinds of plants and animals.

Lesson 2: Climate of the Southeast

- Identify the type of weather and climate of the Southeast.
- Explain how major storms affect the Southeast.
- Determine how people in the Southeast change their environment in order to prepare for extreme weather events?.
- Analyze the effects of extreme weather.

Lesson 3: A Land of Many Resources

- Identify the major resources found in the Southeast.
- Evaluate how the resources of the Southeast shaped the lives of the region's people.
- Determine how the region's people interact with and change their environment in order to obtain resources.
- Analyze the significance of George Washington Carver's farming contributions.

Lesson 4: Settling the Southeast

- Analyze different groups that have settled in the Southeast.
- Evaluate the role the people of the Southeast played in the formation of the United States and in the nation's early history.
- Determine the importance of the role the people of the Southeast had in trans Appalachian expansions and in the settling of states across the country.
- Explain the achievements of key figures of the Southeast.

Lesson 5: Southern Life

- Determine the major cultural achievements of the Southeast.
- Analyze the widespread influence the culture of the Southeast had on the rest of the country and the world.
- Evaluate the social and economic changes the Southeast experienced since the Civil War.
- Identify and describe the major cities of the Southeast like.

- Determine why Rosa Parks is considered the "Mother of the Civil Rights Movement."

Suggested Activities & Best Practices

Chapter 6- Regions: The Southeast

- Rap About It
- Quest Project-Based Learning

Lesson 1: Land and Water of the Southeast

- Jumpstart Activity
- Interactivity
- Map and Graph Skills

Lesson 2: Climate of the Southeast

- Jumpstart Activity
- Interactivity

Lesson 3: A Land of Many Resources

- Jumpstart Activity
- Interactivity
- Literacy Skills

Lesson 4: Settling the Southeast

- Jumpstart Activity
- Interactivity
- Primary Source

Lesson 5: Southern Life

- Jumpstart Activity
- Interactivity
- Citizenship

See the myWorld Activity Guide for additional resources and activities.

Assessment Evidence - Checking for Understanding (CFU)

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

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

Ancillary Resources

- Nonfiction texts (The Southeast)
- National Geographics Kids (U.S. States)
- NewsELA (The Southeast)

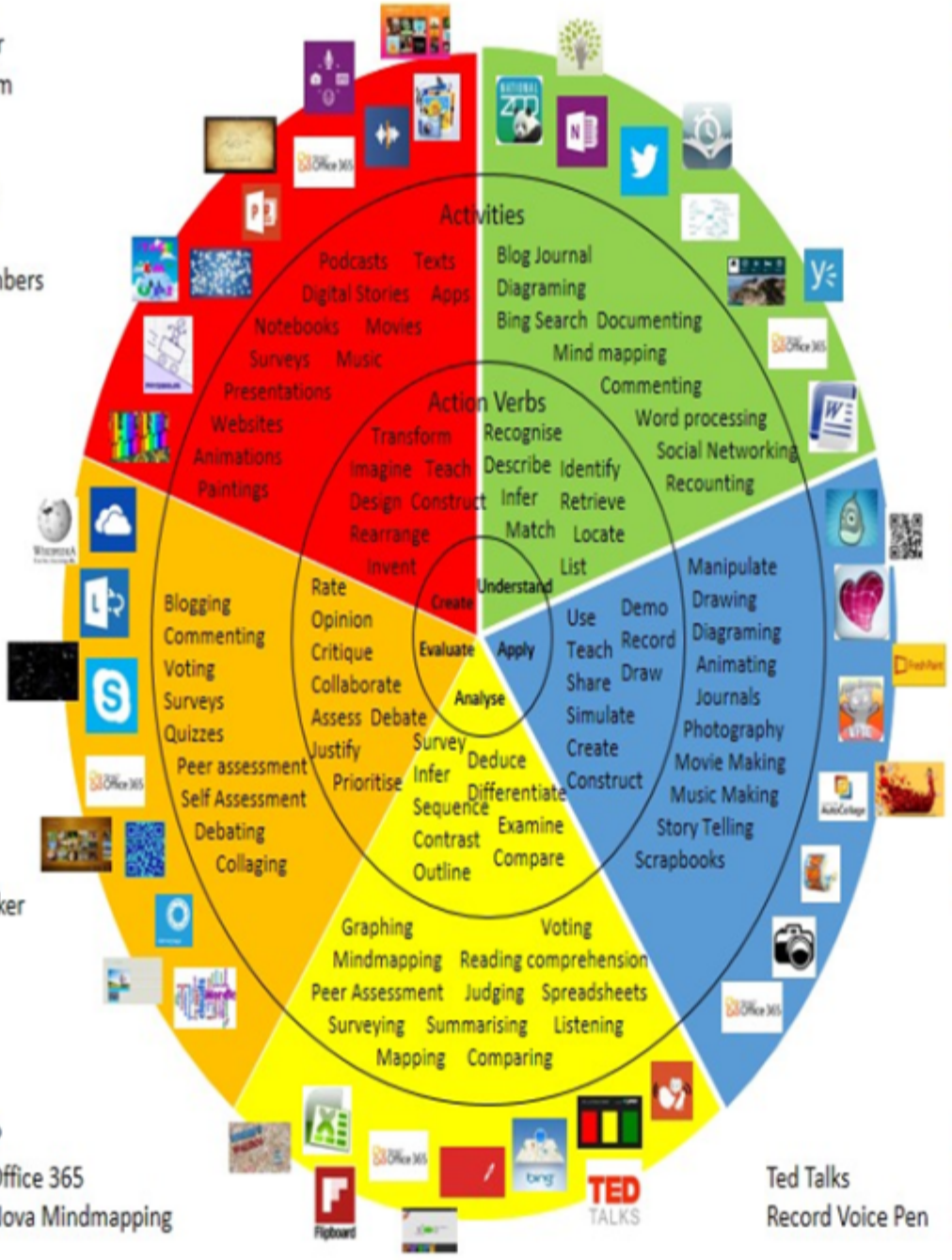
Technology Infusion

- Webquest (The Southeast)
- Kahoot (The Southeast)
- Google Earth

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 Office 365
Flipboard Nova Mindmapping

Ted Talks
Record Voice Pen

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Alignment to 21st Century Skills & Technology

21st Century Skills & Technology:

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

21st Century Skills/Interdisciplinary Themes

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

21st Century Skills

- Civic Literacy
- Environmental Literacy
- Global Awareness

Differentiation

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)

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)

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.

- 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

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.

- 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)

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.

- 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

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: