

# GR 4 Unit 2 The Northeast

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## Unit Overview

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Unit Title: The Northeast

Essential Question:

What are different parts of the Northeast like?

What different groups contributed to the Northeast?

## Standards

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SOC.6.1.5.CivicsPI.3	Explain how the United States functions as a representative democracy and describe the roles of elected representatives and how they interact with citizens at local, state, and national levels.
SOC.6.1.5.CivicsPI.4	Describe the services our government provides the people in the community, state and across the United States.
SOC.6.1.5.CivicsPI.5	Explain how government functions at the local, county, and state level.
SOC.6.1.5.CivicsPI.6	Distinguish the roles and responsibilities of the three branches of the national government.
SOC.6.1.5.CivicsPI.7	Explain how national and state governments share power in the federal system of government.
SOC.6.1.5.CivicsPI.8	Describe how the United States Constitution defines and limits the power of government.
SOC.6.1.5.CivicsPI.9	Research and compare the differences and similarities between the United States and other nations' governments, customs, and laws.
	Civics, Government, and Human Rights: Participation and Deliberation
	Through participation in the decision-making process (e.g., voting, petitions, contacting elected officials, serving in their community) people can initiate change.
SOC.6.1.5.CivicsPD.1	Describe the roles of elected representatives and explain how individuals at local, state, and national levels can interact with them.
SOC.6.1.5.CivicsPD.2	Explain how individuals can initiate and/or influence local, state, or national public policymaking (e.g., petitions, proposing laws, contacting elected officials).  A major role of citizens in a representative democracy is to make responsible decisions about who should govern.
SOC.6.1.5.CivicsPD.4	Compare the qualifications of candidates running for local, state, or national public office with the responsibilities of the position.

	Fundamental rights that allow democratic societies to function can be seen at all levels of government in society.
SOC.6.1.5.CivicsDP.2	<p>Compare and contrast responses of individuals and groups, past and present, to violations of fundamental rights (e.g., fairness, civil rights, human rights).</p> <p>Civics, Government, and Human Rights: Processes and Rules</p> <p>There are different processes for establishing rules and laws.</p> <p>Rules, laws, and policies are designed to protect the rights of people, help resolve conflicts, and promote the common good.</p>
SOC.6.1.5.CivicsPR.3	Evaluate school and community rules, laws and/or policies and determine if they meet their intended purpose.
SOC.6.1.5.CivicsPR.4	Explain how policies are developed to address public problems.
SOC.6.1.5.GeoSV.1	Identify the maps or types of maps most appropriate for specific purposes (e.g., to locate physical and/or human features in a community, to determine the shortest route from one town to another town, to compare the number of people living at two or more locations).
SOC.6.1.5.GeoSV.3	Demonstrate how to use digital geographic tools, maps and globes to measure distances and determine time zones, and locations using latitude and longitude.
SOC.6.1.5.GeoSV.4	Use a variety of geographic representations to describe the similarities and differences between places in New Jersey, the United States and the world (e.g., maps, data visualizations, graphs, diagrams, aerial and other photographs, GPS).
SOC.6.1.5.GeoHE.1	Use a variety of sources from multiple perspectives, including aerial photographs or satellite images to describe how human activity has impacted the physical environment during different periods of time in New Jersey and the United States.

## Materials/Activities/Resources

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**Core materials:** Social Studies Alive! Regions of Our Country: [https://subscriptions.teachtci.com/staff/sign\\_in](https://subscriptions.teachtci.com/staff/sign_in)

Social Studies Alive! Regions of Our Country Primary Source Library:

[https://subscriptions.teachtci.com/shared/programs/425/reference\\_materials?selected\\_unit\\_id=387&tag=Primary+Source+Library](https://subscriptions.teachtci.com/shared/programs/425/reference_materials?selected_unit_id=387&tag=Primary+Source+Library)

### Supplemental Resources:

Newsela Social Studies Compendium: <https://newsela.com/signin>

Flocabulary: [www.Flocabulary.com](http://www.Flocabulary.com)

### Climate Change:

<https://newsela.com/read/govt-EPA-climate-northeast/id/28807/> (Climate Change in the Northeast)

The most applicable grades for the **Amistad curriculum** units are offered here:

<http://www.njamistadcurriculum.net/history/units>

GRADE 4            LESSON 6: A BOAT TOUR OF THE SOUTHEAST-Explain the Impact of Trans-Atlantic Slavery; musical and culinary contributions; discussion of segregation and birth of civil rights movement

                         LESSON 3: THE PEOPLING OF THE UNITED STATES How African American Arrived in America/Civil Rights Movement

The most applicable Lessons for **Holocaust Curriculum units** are offered here:

GRADE 4            SECOND STEP SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING CURRICULUM: Learning appropriate response to emotions and problem solving skills; teaching anti-bullying skills as well empathy and compassion, focusing on perspective and understanding differences

GRADE 4            LESSON 3: THE PEOPLING OF THE UNITED STATES: Increasing awareness of diversity and contribution of multiple cultures

                         LESSON 5: POPULATION DENSITY and LIFE in the NORTHEAST: Increasing awareness of demographic and societal differences in lifestyles

The most applicable lessons for **Asian American/Pacific Islander Units**

GRADE 4            LESSON 3: THE PEOPLING OF THE UNITED STATES: Settlement and contribution of Asian Americans

                         LESSON 4: TOUR OF NORTHEAST: Cultural diversity in New York City

The most applicable lessons for **Climate Change** are offered here:

GRADE 4            LESSON 7: THE EFFECTS OF GEOGRAPHY ON LIFE IN THE SOUTHEAST: The importance of and threats to natural resources, agriculture, effects of dangerous weather

                         LESSON 8: A TOUR OF THE MIDWEST: How land has changed, farming has changed as land has now been industrialized

## **Technology**

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Full list on district teacher page

Map resources:

<https://mapmaker.nationalgeographic.org/>

<https://earth.google.com/web/>

## **Assessment**

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### **Formative Assessment**

- Teacher Observation
- Graphic Organizers / Student Forms
- Daily Lesson Checks and Correct & Redirect Opportunities in the Teacher's Guide

### **Summative Assessment**

- Lesson Tests
- Unit Tests
- RSTs
- Essays

## **Accommodations & Modifications**

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### **Special Education**

- In class/pull out support with special ed teacher
- Additional time during intervention time
- Preferred seating
- Extended time for completing tasks
- Graphic organizers
- Vocabulary support
- Leveled texts in NewsELA
  
- Mixed Ability Grouping

- In class/pull out support with special ed teacher
- Additional time during intervention time
- Preferred seating
- Extended time for completing tasks
- Graphic organizers
- Vocabulary support
- Scribe
- Mixed Ability Grouping

### **ELL**

- Translation device/dictionary
- In class/pull out support with ESL teacher
- Leveled texts in NewsELA
- Preferred seating
- Extended time for completing tasks
- Graphic organizers
- Vocabulary support

### **At-Risk of Failure**

- Additional time during intervention time
- Graphic organizers
- Vocabulary support

### **Gifted & Talented**

- Independent projects
- Leveled texts in NewsELA

## **Interdisciplinary Connections**

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Cross-curricular: Writing in History Standards.

## **Social and Emotional Learning Connections**

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Learning Mindset: Self-Reflection, Noticing, Seeking Challenges, Purpose, Growth Mindset, Belonging

## **21st Century Life Literacies & Key Skills**

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Financial Health

Financial Landscape

Money Management

Career Awareness and Planning

Creativity and Innovation

Critical Thinking and Problem-solving

Digital Citizenship

Global and Cultural Awareness

Information and Media Literacy

Technology Literacy

Standards in Action: Climate Change

## **Career Ready Practices**

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- CRP1. Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee.
- CRP2. Apply appropriate academic and technical skills.
- CRP4. Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason
- CRP5. Consider the environmental, social and economic impacts of decisions.
- CRP6. Demonstrate creativity and innovation.
- CRP11. Use technology to enhance productivity.