Unit # 1: United States History I - Colonial America

Content Area: Social Studies
Course(s): US History 1
Time Period: Semester 1
Length: 2 Weeks
Status: Published

Unit Introduction

This unit will focus on the early settlement, development, and maturation of the 13 American Colonies, as well as the causes, conflict, and consequences of the French and Indian War.

Standards

SOC.6.1.12.A.1.a	Explain how British North American colonies adapted the British governance structure to fit their ideas of individual rights, economic growth, and participatory government.
SOC.6.1.12.A.1.b	Analyze how gender, property ownership, religion, and legal status affected political rights.
SOC.6.1.12.B.1.a	Explain how geographic variations (e.g., climate, soil conditions, and other natural resources) impacted economic development in the New World.
SOC.6.1.12.C.1.a	Explain how economic ideas and the practices of mercantilism and capitalism conflicted during this time period.
SOC.6.1.12.C.1.b	Determine the extent to which natural resources, labor systems (i.e., the use of indentured servants, African slaves, and immigrant labor), and entrepreneurship contributed to economic development in the American colonies.
SOC.6.1.12.D.1.a	Assess the impact of the interactions and conflicts between native groups and north American settlers.
SOC.6.1.12.CS1	Colonization and Settlement: North American Colonial societies adapted European governmental, economic, and cultural institutions and ideologies to meet their needs in the New World.

L.A. Standards For History, Soc. St., Science & Technicial Subjects

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 assessin 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.RST.11-12.1	Accurately cite strong and thorough evidence from the text to support analysis of science and technical texts, attending to precise details for explanations or descriptions.	
LA.RST.11-12.3	Follow precisely a complex multistep procedure when carrying out experiments, taking measurements, or performing technical tasks; analyze the specific results based on explanations in the text.	

Essential Questions

- How did conflict expose differences between England and her colonies?
- How did diversity effect life in the American Colonies?
- How did England secure its American Empire?
- How did the colonies evolve?
- What caused cultures to collide in North America?
- What relationships can exist between a nation and its colonies?

Goals/Objectives

Students will be able to:

- Analyze historical events relative to the modern world
- · Analyze social, political, and cultural change
- Apply problem-solving to develop solutions
- Evaluate communication of information for soundness of evidence and potential bias
- Evaluate concepts and themes through historical periods
- Examine source data to test credibility and evaluate bias
- Formulate questions from multiple perspectives, using multiple sources
- Identify key figures, issues, and events
- Reconcile primary and secondary source information

Content

- Contact among the French, English, and Native American cultures in North America
- Emergence of influential colonial figures
- Geographic, economic, and religious influences in the development Colonial America
- Origins and evolution of representative government in North America
- · Positive and negative outcomes of the French and Indian War in relation to the American colonies
- · The establishment of geographic diversity and its influence on the economic growth of colonial regions
- · The military clash between England and France in North America

Skills

- Analytical writing
- Analyze charts and tables
- · Analyze political cartoons
- Assessing validity of sources
- Change and continuity over time
- Compare and Contrast
- · Comprehension of geopolitical issues
- Critical thinking
- · Data analysis
- Debate
- Develop a thesis
- · Distinguish facts and opinions
- Drawing inferences
- Expressing issues clearly
- · Identify main ideas and details
- Mastery of United States geography
- Mastery of World geography
- Media literacy
- Muti-media proficiency
- Online data based research
- Read for content mastery
- Recognize bias
- Role-play
- Speech to inform
- Summarizing from multiple sources
- Supporting positions
- Understand political, economic, and physical maps