

Unit # 4: United States History I - The Federalist Era

Content Area: **Social Studies**
Course(s): **US History 1**
Time Period: **Semester 1**
Length: **3 Weeks**
Status: **Published**

Unit Introduction

This unit will focus on the establishment and early operation of the American government under the United States Constitution. The unit will focus on the political, economic, and diplomatic foundations established under the Washington and Adams Administration as well as the early rise of partisan politics in early government.

Standards

SOC.6.1.12.A.2.e	Examine the emergence of early political parties and their views on centralized government and foreign affairs, and compare these positions with those of today's political parties.
SOC.6.1.12.D.2.b	Explain why American ideals put forth in the Constitution (i.e., due process, rule of law, and individual rights) have been denied to different groups of people throughout time.
SOC.6.1.12.D.2.c	Relate events in Europe to the development of American trade and American foreign and domestic policies.

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

LA.RH.9-10.1	Accurately cite strong and thorough textual evidence, to support analysis of primary and secondary sources, attending to such features as the date and origin of the information.
LA.RH.9-10.2	Determine the theme, central ideas, key information and/or perspective(s) presented in a primary or secondary source; provide an accurate summary that makes clear the relationships among the key details and ideas.
LA.RH.9-10.3	Analyze in detail a series of events described in a text; draw connections between the events, to determine whether earlier events caused later ones or simply preceded them.
LA.RH.9-10.5	Analyze how a text uses structure to emphasize key points or advance an explanation or analysis.
LA.RH.9-10.7	Integrate quantitative or technical analysis (e.g., charts, research data) with qualitative analysis in print or digital text, to analyze information presented via different mediums.

Essential Questions

- How did Hamiltonian economic policy help shape and define the Federalist Era?
- How did the policy of neutrality come to be the foundation of American diplomacy?
- How was America's Federalist system shaped and defined?
- What caused the early American political structure to divide into competing factions?
- What challenges were there to state sovereignty under the Federalist Era?

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

- Challenges and achievements in the Federalist Era
- Challenges to state sovereignty
- Diplomacy of the Federalist Era and difficulties with neutrality
- Key figures of the Federalist Era
- Origins of America's Hamiltonian financial development
- Precedents established under the Federalist Administrations
- The rise of political divisions and creation of America's two party system

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
- Multi-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