

Unit # 5: United States History I - Jeffersonian Democracy

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 geographic expansion during the Jeffersonian Era and its impact in shaping the United States. The unit will also address sectional, political, and diplomatic disputes during the Jeffersonian Era.

Standards

SOC.6.1.12.A.2.d	Explain how judicial review made the Supreme Court an influential branch of government, and assess the continuing impact of the Supreme Court today.
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.A.3.b	Determine the extent to which America's foreign policy (i.e., Tripoli pirates, the Louisiana Purchase, the War of 1812, the Monroe Doctrine, the War with Mexico, and Native American removal) was influenced by perceived national interest.
SOC.6.1.12.A.3.c	Assess the role of geopolitics in the development of American foreign relations during this period.
SOC.6.1.12.A.3.d	Describe how the Supreme Court increased the power of the national government and promoted national economic growth during this era.
SOC.6.1.12.A.3.g	Determine the extent to which state and local issues, the press, the rise of interest-group politics, and the rise of party politics impacted the development of democratic institutions and practices.
SOC.6.1.12.CS3	Expansion and Reform: Multiple political, social, and economic factors caused American territorial expansion. The rapid expansion and transformation of the American economy contributed to regional tensions, social reform, political compromises, and an expansion of democratic practices.

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

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.9-10.8	Assess the extent to which the reasoning and evidence in a text support the author's claims.
LA.WHST.9-10.1	Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant sufficient textual and non-textual evidence.
LA.WHST.9-10.9	Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.

Essential Questions

- How did America continue to divide politically during the Jeffersonian Era?
- How did American diplomacy begin to deviate from its traditional policy?
- How did America's economic and industrial maturation contribute to the rise of sectional disputes and challenges to the principles of sovereignty?
- What geographic expansion occurred during the Jeffersonian Era? How did this expansion shape the nation?
- What sectional disputes arose during the Jeffersonian 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

- Constitutional challenges and precedents established
- Continuation of geographic divisions
- Continued challenges to America's neutrality and a failure of diplomacy
- Continued challenges to state sovereignty
- Significant figures of the Jeffersonian Era
- Successes and Failures of Jeffersonian Era Administrations

- Territorial acquisition and expansion of the United States
- The evolution of democracy in the Jeffersonian Era

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