Course Description: Semester B of grade 5 Social Studies will focus more on the basic principles of American government and citizenship, as well as the development of the founding documents of the country. Historical exploration will continue with an overview of the major events of the 19th, 20th and early 21st centuries.

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Module 7 - The	7.1 The Articles of Confederation	 Critique the Articles of Confederation. Draw conclusions about what change was needed in order to develop a strong and successful national government.
Constitution of the United States of America	7.2 The Constitutional Convention	 Identify the goals and events of the Constitutional Convention. Draw conclusions about how compromise was needed to create the Constitution. Create a guide to the Constitutional Convention that illustrates the goals, events, and outcome of the convention.
	7.3 Who Wrote the Constitution?	 Identify the contributions of key figures in the development of the American Constitution.
	7.4 The Preamble of the Constitution	 Analyze the meaning of the preamble of the Constitution to determine the purposes of the U.S. Constitution. Create a presentation that illustrates each clause or phrase of the Preamble of the Constitution.
	7.5 Three Branches of Government	 Compare and contrast the powers of the three branches of government, as stated in the Constitution.
	7.6 Federal Powers vs. State Powers	 Differentiate between state and federal powers as stated in the United States Constitution.
	7.7 Ratification Meets a Roadblock	 Identify the causes for the delay in ratification of the US Constitution and the solutions the Founding Fathers used to make sure the Constitution was ratified. Construct an argument supporting ratification of the new Constitution.

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	7.8 The Bill of Rights	 Identify the rights guaranteed in the Bill of Rights. Draw conclusions about why the Bill of Rights was (and is) an important document in the United States.
	7.9 The New American Government	Identify the early key figures in American government and the roles they played.
	7.10 State Constitutions	 Compare and contrast the constitution of a specific state to that of the United States of America.
Module 8 - Government	8.1 Why We Need Government	 Explain the purpose served by laws and government at the local, state, and national level.
and Citizenship	8.2 Individual Rights	 Identify the individual rights granted to Americans and the origin of those rights. Construct a persuasive argument explaining which of your rights is most important to you and why.
	8.3 American Ideals	 Identify the ideals of the American democracy and the role they play in modern America. Design a visual representation of one of the American Ideals.
	8.4 Symbols of America	 Explain the significance of patriotic songs, symbols, and national landmarks. Create a plan for a museum display of American Symbols.
	8.5 National Holidays	Identify the significance of national holidays.
	8.6 Citizenship	 Identify the responsibilities of American citizens. Evaluate the importance of civic responsibilities in American democracy.

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	8.7 Serving the Community and Country	 Identify ways good citizens go beyond basic civic and political responsibilities to improve government and society.
	8.8 Qualities of Good Leadership	Infer the qualities of good leaders based on past and present leaders.
	8.9 Government and Citizenship in My State	 Summarize the ways that adults can participate and serve in the government of their specific state.
	8.10 What It Means to Be an American	 Synthesize knowledge about the rights and responsibilities of American citizenship with their own beliefs about being an American. Write an explanatory paragraph that demonstrates what it means to them to be an American.
Module 9 - America Grows (1800-1850)	9.1 A Growing Population	 Identify the causes and effects of immigration to and within the United States in the early 1800s. Investigate the various means of overland and water travel that made travel within the United States possible.
	9.2 The Pioneer Life	 Infer how geography impacted pioneer life. Summarize what life was like for pioneers.
	9.3 Tall Tales Teach Us More	 Identify how and what tall tales teach us about the lives of pioneers during the early 1800s.
	9.4 New States and Territories	 Distinguish (on a map) the new states and territories of the United States. Identify the major events of US territorial expansion between 1800-1820.

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	9.5 The War of 1812	Identify the causes, course, and outcomes of the War of 1812.
	9.6 Expansion Brings Conflict	 Identify the actions of both Indigenous peoples and settlers that led to conflict in the early 1800s. Evaluate the perspectives of multiple people regarding territorial expansion of the United States in the early 1800s.
	9.7 The Mexican-American War	 Explain the causes and effects of the Mexican-American War. Create a timeline that explains the causes, course, and outcomes of the Mexican-American War.
	9.8 The Industrial Revolution	 Define "Industrial Revolution". Identify the changes caused by the Industrial Revolution. Identify the people and inventions that impacted the United States in the early 1800s. Design an advertisement for a product from the early 1800s.
	9.9 Southern Agriculture Grows	 Infer how geography impacted the economy of the southern United States in the early 1800s. Identify how the institution of slavery impacted the South in the early 1800s. Compare the Southern United States and the Northern United States during the early 1800s in terms of economy and industry.
	9.10 Reform Movements	Identify the causes and effects of social reform in the early 1800s.
Module 10 - Rebuilding a	10.1 America in 1850	 Identify the locations and major geographical features of the states that existed as of 1850.

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Nation (1850-1900)	10.2 Slavery Divides a Nation	 Explain the central role of the expansion of slavery in causing sectionalism in the pre-Civil War United States. Identify the states that allowed slavery and those that didn't in the US as of 1850.
	10.3 Unrest Grows	 Explain the significance of events that led to the American Civil War. Explain the cause and effect relationships between events that led to the American Civil War.
	10.4 A Country at War	 Map the major battles of the American Civil War. Identify the events and outcomes of major battles of the Civil War.
	10.5 Life During the Civil War	 Identify the roles played by the key figures in the Civil War. Infer how scientific discoveries and technological innovations impacted life during the Civil War. Design a plan for a museum exhibit about the American Civil War.
	10.6 Reconstruction	Connect the outcome of the Civil War to the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, and Fifteenth Amendments to the U.S. Constitution.
	10.7 The Golden Age of Invention (1870-1900)	 Identify the accomplishments of inventors of the late 1800s. Investigate how inventions of the late 1800s changed the lives of Americans.
	10.8 More People Come to America	 Analyze the effects of immigration and migration on the United States in the late 1800s.
	10.9 Changes in Industry and Business	 Describe the impact of the free enterprise system, mass production, and specialization on the American economy of the late 1800s.
	10.10 More States Join the Union	 Identify (on a map) the states that joined the union between 1863 and 1900. Infer how the continued expansion of the United States impacted Indigenous peoples.

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Module 11 - America in	11.1 America at the Turn of the Century	 Analyze primary sources to develop an image of what life was like in the United States at the turn of the 20th century.
the 20th Century	11.2 Causes, Course, and Effects of WWI	Identify the causes, course, and effects of World War I.
	11.3 The United States' Involvement in WWI	 Summarize the United States' involvement in World War I. Critique America's decision to enter World War I.
	11.4 Changes in Suffrage in the 1920s	 Identify new laws that affected suffrage in the United States. Infer how new suffrage laws impacted Americans.
	11.5 The Great Depression	 Identify the causes and effects of the Great Depression.
	11.6 World War II in Europe	Identify the causes, course, and effects of World War II in Europe.
	11.7 World War II in the Pacific	Identify the causes, course, and effects of World War II in the Pacific.
	11.8 The Civil Rights Movement	 Identify the purpose and events of the Civil Rights Movement. Infer how the Civil Rights Movement impacted people living in the United States then and now. Create a set of flashcards that show the significance of people, places, and terms relevant to the Civil Rights Movement.
	11.9 The Race to the Moon	 Identify how and why the United States' space program grew in the 1960s. Identify the accomplishments of notable individuals in the field of space travel.

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	11.10 The Cold War	Summarize the events of the Cold War.
Module 12 - My America	12.1 The Information Age	 Explain how the advancement of technology has impacted Americans in the areas of communication, economics, and transportation.
	12.2 The Events of 9/11	Summarize the events of September 11, 2001 and how they impacted Americans.
	12.3 The War on Terror	 Define "War on Terror". Infer how terrorism has impacted life in America in the 21st century.
	12.4 Changing Politics	 Identify political "firsts" in the United States in the 21st century. Infer how politics has changed in the 21st century. Compare the outcomes of presidential elections in the 21st century.
	12.5 Changing Economy	Assess the ways modern issues have impacted the United States economically.
	12.6 U.S. Road Trip!	 Use a map to construct a route for a road trip in the United States. Write a proposal for a two-week road trip.
	12.7 Funding Your Trip	 Predict approximate costs of a two-week road trip. Develop a budget for a road trip.
	12.8 Planning Your Itinerary	Create a daily itinerary for your road trip.
	12.9 Historical Locations and National Landmarks	 Identify the significance of historical locations and national landmarks that you plan to visit on your trip.

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		 Design a trip guide that explains the significance of the historical locations and national landmarks on your trip.
	12.10 Reflections on Your Road Trip	 Create a reflection journal that gives a day-by-day accounting of what they "learned" on their two-week road trip.