

Fifth Grade History & Social Science

First Americans to Colonial America

Content Outline

Topic	SOLs	Suggested Time Frame
I. Geography		3 weeks
A. Explain Map Essentials	USI.2a,	
B. Locate Seven Continents	USI.2b,	
C. Geographic Regions	USI.2c	
D. US Bodies of Water		
II. Early Cultures	USI.3, USI.3a,	5 weeks
A. First Americans (Arrival & Climate/Geography)	USI.3b	
B. Areas Inhabited by the First Americans (Settlements/Lifestyles/Cultures)		
C. Lifestyles Shaped by the Environment		
D. Review/Assessment/Extension		1 week
III. European Exploration & Regions	USI.4a,	8 weeks
A. Regions explored in North America	USI.4b,	
B. Motivations/Obstacles /Accomplishments	USI.4c	
C. Impact of Cultural Groups		
D. Areas of Cooperation and Conflict		
E. Review/Assessment/Extension		1 week
F. West African Empires		
IV. Colonial American	USI.5a,	8 weeks
A. Contrasts Among Colonial Regions	USI.5b,	
B. Religious and Economic Impact	USI.5c	
C. Environmental Influences		
D. Colonial Life		
E. Roles of Colonial People		
F. Review/Assessment/Extension		1 week
V. Historical and Geographical Analysis	USI.1a-e	9 weeks
A. Making Connections: Past and Present		
B. Interpret maps, charts, graphs		
C. Interpret political cartoons, speeches, and documents		
D. Investigate primary sources and authentic historic content		