

U.S. History: Foundations to Present

U.S. History Foundations to Present covers early American exploration to the present day, placing special emphasis on the politics of the 18th and early 19th centuries and the Civil War. These areas of focus target three major content strands: History, Geography, and Government, and Citizenship.

Upon completion of the course, students should be able to do the following:

- Understand how conflict between the American colonies and Great Britain led to American independence.
- Understand political, economic, and social changes that occurred in the United States during the 19th century, including changes resulting from the Industrial Revolution.
- Explain how political, economic, and social changes in the U.S. led to conflict among sections of the United States in the 19th century.
- Describe the causes and effects of the Civil War and its aftermath.
- Describe the causes and effects of both World Wars.
- Understand some of the key challenges facing American society in the late 20th and early 21st centuries.

Additionally, students will gain practice in writing essays and reports, covering topics like the Monroe Doctrine, the states' rights debate, the Lincoln-Douglas debates, isolationism, the New Deal, and the Korean conflict.

Unit 1: Foundations of the American Republic	
Assignments	
U.S. History Foundations to Present	1. Course Overview
	2. Revival of Trade and Commerce
	3. New Ideas and Religious Changes
	4. Quiz 1: Revival of Trade and Commerce
	5. Colonization Begins in the New World
	6. Essay: Jamestown
	7. Puritan Background and Plymouth Settlement
	8. Puritan Migration and the Settlement of New England
	9. Quiz 2: Colonization Begins
10. The Middle Colonies	
11. The Southern Colonies	
12. Growth of the Colonies	
13. Essay: The Thirteen Colonies	
14. Quiz 3: Middle and Southern Colonies	
15. Special Project*	
16. Test	
17. Alternate Test*	
18. Glossary and Credits	

Unit 2: Development of Constitutional Government	
Assignments	
U.S. History Foundations to Present	1. Relations with England
	2. French and Indian War
	3. Colonial Resistance
	4. Quiz 1: Relations with England
	5. Second Continental Congress
	6. Opposition and Aid
	7. War in the South and West
	8. Quiz 2: The Revolutionary War
	9. Birth of a Nation
10. Articles of Confederation	
11. Constitution of the United States	
12. Essay: Checks and Balances	
13. Quiz 3: Birth of a Nation	
14. Special Project*	
15. Test	
16. Alternate Test*	
17. Glossary and Credits	

History Foundations to Present	Unit 3: National Expansion	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Federal Government 2. First Political Parties 3. Quiz 1: Federal Government 4. The Revolution of 1800 5. The War of 1812 6. Quiz 2: Revolution of 1800 and War of 1812 7. Nationalism and the Monroe Administration 8. Essay: Foreign Policy 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9. Sectionalism and the Jackson Administration 10. Essay: Missouri Compromise* 11. Quiz 3: Nationalism and Sectionalism 12. Special Project* 13. Test 14. Alternate Test* 15. Glossary and Credits

History Foundations to Present	Unit 4: A Nation Divided	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Emergence of Sectionalism 2. Report: Leaders in the States' Rights Debate 3. The Division of Land 4. The Establishment of New Territory 5. The Division of the People 6. Report: Lincoln-Douglas Debates 7. Quiz 1: The Emergence of Sectionalism 8. The Emergence of Slavery 9. Report: Free-born Residents* 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 10. The Politics of Slavery 11. Essay: Escaped Slave* 12. Report: Slave Codes 13. Quiz 2: The Emergence of Slavery 14. Special Project* 15. Test 16. Alternate Test* 17. Glossary and Credits

History Foundations to Present	Unit 5: A Nation Divided and United	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Regional Lifestyles: The East and West 2. Regional Lifestyles: The South 3. Quiz 1: Regional Lifestyles 4. Civil War: Division and Antagonism 5. Report: The Trent Affair 6. Civil War: Union Blockade and Hostilities 7. Civil War: Final Phase 8. Quiz 2: Civil War 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9. Reconstruction 10. Report: Reconstruction Scandals 11. Report: A Changing World* 12. Quiz 3: Reconstruction 13. Special Project* 14. Test 15. Alternate Test* 16. Glossary and Credits

U.S.F.P.	Unit 6: Semester Review and Exam	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review 2. Exam 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Alternate Exam: Form A* 4. Alternate Exam: Form B*

U.S. History Foundations to Present	Unit 7: United States Involvement At Home and Abroad	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. U.S. Industry: Birth and Growth 2. U.S. Industry: Economic Expansion 3. Quiz 1: Industrial Growth in the United States 4. Industrial Lifestyle: Trends 5. Industrial Lifestyle: Labor Movement 6. Quiz 2: Industrial Lifestyle 7. Foreign Policy: Isolationism 8. Report: Seward's Proposal 9. Foreign Policy: International Realism 10. Report: Isolationism 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. Quiz 3: Foreign Policy 12. March Toward Conflict: Causes 13. March Toward Conflict: Factions 14. Report: Progressive Era* 15. Quiz 4: March Toward Conflict 16. Special Project* 17. Test 18. Alternate Test* 19. Glossary and Credits

U.S. History Foundations to Present	Unit 8: The Search for Peace	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The First Global Conflict 2. A Plan For Peace 3. Report: A Just Peace* 4. Quiz 1: The Great War and its Aftermath 5. The Golden Twenties 6. Quiz 2: The Golden Twenties 7. The Great Depression 8. Report: Foreign Policy 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 9. Quiz 3: The Great Depression 10. The New Deal 11. Report: New Deal 12. Quiz 4: The New Deal 13. Special Project* 14. Test 15. Alternate Test* 16. Glossary and Credits

U.S. History Foundations to Present	Unit 9: A Nation at War	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. World War II: Causes of the War 2. World War II: Theaters of Operation 3. Report: World War II - Home Front 4. Quiz 1: World War II 5. Communist Threat: World Unrest 6. Korean Conflict: Cold War Becomes Hot 7. Report: Containment Policy 8. Quiz 2: The Korean Conflict 9. Vietnam: Fighting Communism in Southeast Asia 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 10. Vietnam: Withdrawal by the United States 11. Report: Biography 12. Report: United States Culture* 13. Quiz 3: The Vietnam Conflict 14. Special Project* 15. Test 16. Alternate Test* 17. Glossary and Credits

U.S. History Foundations to Present	Unit 10: Contemporary America	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. America in the 1960s: Part 1 2. Report: Kennedy Assassination 3. Report: I Have a Dream 4. America in the 1960s: Part 2 5. The International Scene of the 1960s 6. Quiz 1: America in the 1960s 7. America in the 1970s: Part 1 8. America in the 1970s: Part 2 9. The International Scene of the 1970s 10. Quiz 2: America in the 1970s 11. America in the 1980s, 1990s, and 2000s: Part 1 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 12. America in the 1980s, 1990s, and 2000s: Part 2 13. Quiz 3: America in the 1980s, 1990s, and 2000s 14. The International Scene - 1980-2001: Part 1 15. The International Scene - 1980-2001: Part 2 16. Report: Changes in United States Culture* 17. Quiz 4: The International Scene - 1980-2001 18. Special Project* 19. Test 20. Alternate Test* 21. Glossary and Credits

U.S. History Foundations to Present	Unit 11: United States History Review	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Basis of United States Democracy 2. Early Colonization 3. Quiz 1: Basis of United States Democracy 4. Beginnings of United States Democracy 5. Second Continental Congress 6. United States Government 7. Quiz 2: Beginnings of United States Democracy 8. United States of the 1800s 9. Jackson Era 10. Report: Regional Lifestyles 11. Report: Sectionalism and Slavery* 12. Civil War 13. Reconstruction of the South 14. Quiz 3: United States of the 1800s 15. Industrialization of the United States 16. Report: Roosevelt's New Deal 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 17. World War I 18. Quiz 4: Industrialization of the United States 19. The United States: From World War II to Vietnam 20. Essay: Vietnam War* 21. The United States: From Kennedy to Ford 22. Essay: President Kennedy 23. The United States: From Carter to Obama 24. Quiz 5: Current History of the United States 25. The '80s and '90s 26. Report: Eras and Issues* 27. Quiz 6: The '80s and '90s 28. Special Project* 29. Test 30. Alternate Test* 31. Glossary and Credits
U.S.F.P	Unit 12: Semester Review and Exam	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review 2. Exam 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Alternate Exam: Form A* 4. Alternate Exam: Form B*
U.S.F.P	Unit 13: Final Exam	
	Assignments	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Exam 2. Alternate Exam: Form A* 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Alternate Exam: Form B*