

Focused Courses are aligned to high school graduation requirements in math, English, science, social studies, and health. These courses are based on Core Courses but have a reduced scope—including having all teacher-scored activities removed—to focus students' time on direct instruction and computer-scored assessment.

## UNIT 1: PEOPLING NORTH AMERICA (PREHISTORY – 1763)

### LESSON 1: SKILLS FOR U.S. HISTORY

#### Checkup: Welcome to U.S. History

Learn eight important strategies for reading social studies texts.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### Study: Reading Historical Evidence in U.S. History

Explore strategies for reading and interpreting historical evidence.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### Quiz: Reading Historical Evidence in U.S. History

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

#### Study: Understanding Context and Bias in U.S. History

Examine how context and bias shape views on U.S. history.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### Quiz: Understanding Context and Bias in U.S. History

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

### LESSON 2: INDIGENOUS CIVILIZATIONS IN AMERICA

#### Study: Indigenous Civilizations Develop the Continent

Learn about the Indigenous groups that established civilizations in the Americas.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### Quiz: Indigenous Civilizations Develop the Continent

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

#### Study: Civilizations in Eastern North America

Learn about Indigenous groups that built civilizations in eastern North America.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### Quiz: Civilizations in Eastern North America

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

#### Study: Civilizations in Western North America

Learn about Indigenous groups that built civilizations in western North America.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### Quiz: Civilizations in Western North America

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

**Practice: Regional Indigenous Cultures**

Research an Indigenous civilization that developed in a region near you.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 40 points

**LESSON 3: EUROPEAN COLONIZATION****Study: European Arrival and Colonization**

Learn about how European civilizations began colonizing the Americas.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

**Quiz: European Arrival and Colonization**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

**Study: European and Indigenous Contacts and Conflicts**

Examine the conflicts that arose between European colonizers and Indigenous groups.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

**Quiz: European and Indigenous Contacts and Conflicts**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

**Practice: Exploring European Colonization**

Map European claims to land in the Americas.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 40 points

**LESSON 4: BRITISH COLONIZATION OF NORTH AMERICA****Study: The New England, Middle, and Southern Colonies**

Learn about the regional English colonies in North America.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

**Quiz: The New England, Middle, and Southern Colonies**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

**Study: Continuing Conflicts**

Examine the conflicts that continued to develop between English colonists and Indigenous groups.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

**Quiz: Continuing Conflicts**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

**Study: The Beginning of the Slave Trade**

Examine the development of the slave trade.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

**Quiz: The Beginning of the Slave Trade**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

**Journal: The Middle Passage**

Study the experiences of people forced into slavery through the Middle Passage.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 30 points

**LESSON 5: WRAP-UP: PEOPLEING NORTH AMERICA****Review: Wrap-Up: Peopling North America**

Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.

Duration: 0 hrs Scoring: 0 points

**Test (CS): Wrap-Up: Peopling North America**

Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 60 points

**Test (TS): Wrap-Up: Peopling North America**

Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 60 points

## UNIT 2: THE FOUNDING OF THE UNITED STATES (1763 – 1824)

### LESSON 1: THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

**Study: The Lead-Up to Independence**

Examine conditions in the British colonies in North America that led to the American Revolution.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

**Quiz: The Lead-Up to Independence**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

**Discuss: The Declaration of Independence**

Discuss the major themes in the Declaration of Independence.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 30 points

**Study: The Revolutionary War**

Explore the course and outcome of the Revolutionary War.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

**Quiz: The Revolutionary War**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

### LESSON 2: CREATING A GOVERNMENT

**Study: Creating a Government**

Examine how the United States created a new plan of government under the Constitution.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

**Quiz: Creating a Government**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

**Study: The Ratification Debate**

Learn about how the Constitution was accepted as the governing set of laws for the United States.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

**Quiz: The Ratification Debate**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

**Discuss: Arguments over Ratification**

Discuss the major arguments that developed during the ratification debate.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 30 points

**Read: The U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights**

Examine the Constitution.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

### LESSON 3: THE EMERGING NATION

**Study: The Federalist Presidents**

Learn about the presidencies of George Washington and John Adams.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

### **Quiz: The Federalist Presidents**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

### **Study: Jeffersonian Democracy**

Learn about the presidency of Thomas Jefferson.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

### **Quiz: Jeffersonian Democracy**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

### **Study: The War of 1812 and the Era of Good Feelings**

Examine events in the United States from the War of 1812 through the Era of Good Feelings.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

### **Quiz: The War of 1812 and the Era of Good Feelings**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

### **Practice: The Founding Leaders and Slavery**

Research the U.S. Founders' thoughts about and connections with the practice of slavery.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 40 points

## **LESSON 4: WRAP-UP: THE FOUNDING OF THE UNITED STATES**

### **Review: Wrap-Up: The Founding of the United States**

Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.

Duration: 0 hrs Scoring: 0 points

### **Test (CS): Wrap-Up: The Founding of the United States**

Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 60 points

### **Test (TS): Wrap-Up: The Founding of the United States**

Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 60 points

## **UNIT 3: GROWTH AND DIVISION OF THE UNITED STATES (1824 – 1860)**

### **LESSON 1: THE AGE OF JACKSON**

#### **Study: Jacksonian Democracy**

Learn about the rise of Andrew Jackson and examine his policies as president.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **Quiz: Jacksonian Democracy**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

#### **Study: Resisting Removal and the Trail of Tears**

Explore how Indigenous groups resisted the policy of removal.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **Quiz: Resisting Removal and the Trail of Tears**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

#### **Journal: Arguments Around Removal**

Research the debates that occurred around the policy of Indigenous removal.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 30 points

### **Study: The Expansion of and Resistance to Slavery**

Examine how the expansion of slavery became a major political issue.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

### **Quiz: The Expansion of and Resistance to Slavery**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

## **LESSON 2: CONFLICTS AND CULTURAL GROWTH**

### **Study: Political Conflicts and War**

Learn about political divisions and the course of the Mexican-American War.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

### **Quiz: Political Conflicts and War**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

### **Study: Cultural Growth and Public Life**

Explore cultural developments and changes in public life in the United States prior to 1860.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

### **Quiz: Cultural Growth and Public Life**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

### **Practice: The Seneca Falls Convention**

Examine the work of activists at the Seneca Falls Convention.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 40 points

## **LESSON 3: INCREASING DIVISIONS**

### **Study: Expansion and Compromise**

Learn about the political conflicts and compromises that developed around the practice and spread of slavery.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

### **Quiz: Expansion and Compromise**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

### **Journal: The Lincoln-Douglas Debates**

Research the arguments that were made between Abraham Lincoln and Stephen Douglas during their 1858 debates.

Duration: 0 hrs 30 mins Scoring: 30 points

### **Study: Working Against Slavery**

Learn about the work of abolitionists and other people who opposed slavery in the United States.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

### **Quiz: Working Against Slavery**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

## **LESSON 4: WRAP-UP: GROWTH AND DIVISION OF THE UNITED STATES**

### **Review: Wrap-Up: Growth and Division of the United States**

Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.

Duration: 0 hrs Scoring: 0 points

### **Test (CS): Wrap-Up: Growth and Division of the United States**

Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 60 points

### **Test (TS): Wrap-Up: Growth and Division of the United States**

Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 60 points

## **UNIT 4: CIVIL WAR AND RECONSTRUCTION (1860 – 1877)**

### **LESSON 1: THE CIVIL WAR BEGINS**

#### **Study: Lincoln's Election and Southern Secession**

Learn about the 1860 presidential election and the outbreak of the Civil War.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **Quiz: Lincoln's Election and Southern Secession**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

#### **Study: The Fighting Begins**

Learn about the course of the Civil War through 1862 and the issuing of the Emancipation Proclamation.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **Quiz: The Fighting Begins**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

### **LESSON 2: RESTORING THE UNION**

#### **Study: Fighting to End Slavery**

Examine the course of the Civil War through the Union victories at Gettysburg and Vicksburg.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **Quiz: Fighting to End Slavery**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

#### **Read: The Gettysburg Address**

Examine the themes of Abraham Lincoln's Gettysburg Address.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **Study: Life During the Civil War**

Learn about how the Civil War affected the lives of all Americans.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **Quiz: Life During the Civil War**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

#### **Study: The Union Victory**

Examine the end of the Civil War and the Union victory.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **Quiz: The Union Victory**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

### **LESSON 3: RECONSTRUCTION**

#### **Study: Reconstruction Begins**

Examine how the United States looked to rebuild after the Civil War.

Duration: 0 hrs Scoring: 0 points

#### **Quiz: Reconstruction Begins**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

### **Practice: Women's Rights and Reconstruction**

Explore the debate around women's rights that developed during Reconstruction.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 40 points

### **Study: Black American Enfranchisement**

Examine the work and influence of Black Americans during Reconstruction.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

### **Quiz: Black American Enfranchisement**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

### **Study: The End of Reconstruction**

Learn about how the period of Reconstruction came to an end in 1877.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

### **Quiz: The End of Reconstruction**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

## **LESSON 4: WRAP-UP: CIVIL WAR AND RECONSTRUCTION**

### **Review: Wrap-Up: Civil War and Reconstruction**

Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.

Duration: 0 hrs Scoring: 0 points

### **Test (CS): Wrap-Up: Civil War and Reconstruction**

Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 60 points

### **Test (TS): Wrap-Up: Civil War and Reconstruction**

Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 60 points

## **UNIT 5: THE GILDED AGE (1877 – 1900)**

### **LESSON 1: CONFLICTS AFTER RECONSTRUCTION**

#### **Study: The Erosion of Civil Rights**

Examine how Black Americans lost their hard-fought civil rights after Reconstruction.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **Quiz: The Erosion of Civil Rights**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

#### **Study: Closing the Frontier**

Learn about how Indigenous groups were affected by continuing U.S. developments.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

#### **Quiz: Closing the Frontier**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

### **LESSON 2: IMMIGRATION AND DOMESTIC DEVELOPMENTS**

#### **Study: Immigration**

Learn about the wave of immigration that occurred in the United States during the Gilded Age.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

**Quiz: Immigration**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

**Read: Protesting Chinese Exclusion**

Read a letter by Saum Song Bo that protested the U.S. policy of Chinese exclusion.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

**Study: Domestic Developments**

Examine the industrial and political developments that occurred during the Gilded Age.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

**Quiz: Domestic Developments**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

**LESSON 3: A GROWING EMPIRE****Study: U.S. Imperialism**

Examine how the United States developed into an imperial power.

Duration: 0 hrs 45 mins Scoring: 0 points

**Quiz: U.S. Imperialism**

Take a quiz to assess your understanding of the material.

Duration: 0 hrs 20 mins Scoring: 20 points

**Practice: The Debate over Imperialism**

Examine arguments that imperialists and anti-imperialists posed during the Gilded Age.

Duration: 1 hr Scoring: 40 points

**LESSON 4: WRAP-UP: THE GILDED AGE****Review: Wrap-Up: The Gilded Age**

Prepare for the unit test by reviewing key concepts and skills.

Duration: 0 hrs Scoring: 0 points

**Test (CS): Wrap-Up: The Gilded Age**

Take a computer-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 60 points

**Test (TS): Wrap-Up: The Gilded Age**

Take a teacher-scored test to assess what you have learned in this unit.

Duration: 0 hrs 40 mins Scoring: 60 points

**UNIT 6: SEMESTER 1 REVIEW AND EXAM****LESSON 1: SEMESTER 1 REVIEW AND EXAM****Review: Semester 1 Review**

Prepare for the final exam by reviewing key concepts and skills you have learned in this course.

Duration: 0 hrs Scoring: 0 points

**Exam: Semester 1 Exam**

Take a computer-scored exam to assess what you have learned in this course.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 100 points

**Final Exam: Semester 1 Exam**

Take a teacher-scored exam to assess what you have learned in this course.

Duration: 0 hrs 50 mins Scoring: 100 points