



Fourth Grade Social Studies

Essential Resources

District Resources to Teach 100% of the TEKS: NBISD ECourse, Social Studies Weekly, HMH Literary Connections, Brain Pop and Brain Pop, Jr., Discovery Education,

Spiraled TEKS

Process Skills Embedded in All Lessons [4.19 Social Studies skills. The student applies critical-thinking skills to organize and use information acquired from a variety of valid sources, including technology.](#)
[4.20 Social Studies skills. The student uses geographic tools to collect, analyze, and interpret data.](#)
[4.21 Social Studies skills. The student communicates in written, oral, and visual forms](#)

Previous Grade:
Third Grade

Social Studies courses and associated TEKS are designed to be "stand-alone" except in the Process Skills. Process Skills are the same from course to course and were fully taught prior to the COVID-19 Remote Learning.

Timeline		1st Quarter Aug 24 - Oct 16, 2020 (38 Instructional Days)				2nd Quarter Oct 19 - Dec 18, 2020 (40 Instructional Days)		
Unit		Unit 1: Your State and Local Government	Unit 2: 9/11; Freedom Week; Constitution Day September 14-18, 2020	Unit 3: Exploring Our State: Geography		Unit 4: Texas Indians	Unit 5: Early Explorers	Unit 6: European Settlements
Pacing		16 days	6 days	16 days		13 days	13 days	14 days
Big Idea	Current Grade	Governments make and enforce laws, and provide citizens with public services.	Freedom Week and Constitution Day recognize the importance of a responsible government and knowing how your rights are protected by the founding documents.	Texas has many natural resources and weather patterns.		The early people of Texas adapted to their environment and used resources around them.	The Spanish gained many things from their expeditions in Texas.	Many Europeans wanted to settle in Texas because of problems where they had been living.
TEKS	Current Grade	4.13a,b; 4.14abc; 4.15a,b,c,e; 4.16a,b; 4.19a,b,c	4.13a; 4.14a,b,c,d; 4.15ab	4.6a,b; 4.7ab; 4.8a,b,c; 4.11a,b; 4.19a,b,c		4.1a,b,c,d; 4.7a,b; 4.8a,b; 4.9a; 4.11a,b; 4.12a	4.2a,b; 4.6a	4.2c,d; 4.6a; 4.7a,b; 4.8a,b,c; 4.9b; 4.12b
Timeline		3rd Quarter Jan 4 - March 12, 2021 (48 Instructional Days)				4th Quarter March 22 - May 27, 2021 (48 Instructional Days)		
Unit		Unit 7: Colonization	Unit 8: Texas Revolution	Unit 9: From Republic To State	Unit 10: Civil War	Unit 11: 19th Century – Cattle and Ranching	Unit 12: A World in Flux- 1910-1945	Unit 13: Celebrate Texas and Texans: Who I am Important!
Pacing		12 days	12 days	12 days	12 days	16 days	16 days	16 days
Big Idea	Current Grade	Colonies were formed because people were drawn to land and chances to make money.	Conflict with Mexico led the Texans to fight for independence.	The Republic of Texas struggled with becoming a state or staying independent.	States rights and slavery led Texans to question whether secession was right for them.	The cattle and ranching are still an important part of the economy and culture of Texas today.	The changes in industry and population brought about by World War II continue to affect Texas.	Texas continues to develop into a modern state through the 21st century.
TEKS	Current Grade	4.2e; 4.6b; 4.7ab; 4.8a; 4.9b; 4.11abc; 4.19b	4.3a,b; 4.7b; 4.13ac; 4.14a,c,d; 4.15d; 4.19b	4.3c,d,e; 4.13a; 4.15d; 4.19b	4.4a; 5.6b; 4.10a,b,c; 4.14d	4.4b,c,d; 4.7b; 4.8c; 4.10a,b,c; 4.13a	4.5ab; 4.7a,b; 4.10a,b,c; 4.11d	4.10a,b,c; 4.15a,d; 4.17a,b; 4.18a,b