

Course Title:	U.S. History and Geography A	
Standards	Michigan High School Social Studies : U.S. History and Geography	
Unit 1 Big Idea:	Growth of Industrial and Urban America	
Essential Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">How did the Industrial Revolution change the fabric of American society?What impact did immigration have on the following features of American life: demographics, economic life, politics, and society?	
Standards	Assignment	Description
6.1.1 6.1.3 6.1.4	1.1	Factors of the Industrial Revolution
	1.2	Robber Baron or Captain of Industry
	1.3	Immigrant Experience
	1.4	Changing Population Quiz
	1.4	Letter Home
		Unit 1 Test
Unit 2 Big Idea	Progressive Reform	
Essential Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">What were the ideas and beliefs that gave rise to the Progressive movement?What were the historical causes of the Progressive movement (e.g., Populism and the advent of the "Social Gospel")?How did Progressive reform impact the following issues: urban politics, women's suffrage, and child labor?How did the Progressives impact the rise of the modern labor movement?	
Standards	Assignment	Description
6.3.1 6.1.2 6.3.2 6.3.3	2.1	Populist Quiz
	2.2	Political Machine Analysis
	2.3	Labor Strikes Project
	2.4	Social Change Analysis
		Unit 2 Reform/Movement Project
		Unit 2 Compare Movements Discussion
Unit 3 Big Idea	Developing as a World Power	
Essential Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">What were the main arguments for and against American imperialism?What were the causes and consequences of the Spanish-American War of 1898?	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How did the United States, in trying to establish an "Empire of Liberty," expand its reach around the world, and at what cost? 	
Standards	Assignment	Description
6.2.1	3.1	Letter to the President
	3.2	A Splendid Little War Quiz
	3.3	Banana Wars
		Unit 3 Imperialism Booklet
		Unit 3 Imperialism Today Discussion
Unit 4 Big Idea	World War I	
Essential Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What caused WWI and what entities influenced US involvement in the war? How did the war impact the American way of life? How did American involvement in WWI affect the war's outcome? 	
Standards	Assignment	Description
6.2.2	4.1	M.A.I.N Causes Discussion
6.2.3	4.2	Letters Home
6.2.4	4.3	How Serious the Offense
	4.4	Homefront Webquest
	4.5	Article X – Text Messages
		Unit 4 WWI Photo Story Project
		Unit 4 Test
Unit 5 Big Idea	The Great Depression	
Essential Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How did American society react to the trauma of World War I in the following decade of the 1920s? How did social and political change manifest itself in America during this decade? What political, economic, environmental, and social factors led to the Great Depression? How did the Great Depression impact those living during this time? 	
Standards	Assignment	Description
7.1.1	5.1	Ford Case Study
7.1.2	5.2	Tweets in the 20's
6.1.5	5.3	Exploring the Voices of the Harlem Renaissance
	5.4	The Crash Quiz

	5.5	The Great Depression Museum Project
		Unit 5 Test
Unit 6 Big Idea	The New Deal	
Essential Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What was the overall goal of the New Deal? How did the major opponents of reform impact the New Deal era? Was the New Deal successful? 	
Standards	Assignment	Description
7.1.3	6.1.	Alphabet and the Three R's
	6.2	Opposition to the New Deal
	6.3	Legacy of the New Deal Discussion
		Unit 6 New Deal Persuasive Essay
		Unit 6 Test
Unit 7 Big Idea	World War II	
Essential Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How did the Second World War result from the failures of the First World War? What impact did world politics have on the start of World War II? What were the strategies and goals for the Allied and Axis powers? What caused the United States to become involved in World War II? What were the major events that shaped the war? How did the war come to an end? 	
Standards	Assignment	Description
7.2.1 7.2.2	7.1	Causes of WWII Quiz
	7.2	Facebook for Leaders
	7.3	Send the Alarm
	7.4	Decision Points
		Unit 7 Flashpoints Project
		Unit 7 Test
Unit 8 Big Idea	WWII: The Homefront and Response to the Holocaust	
Essential Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How did WWII impact American life? What role did the U.S. play in the Holocaust? Was the decision to use the Atomic bomb positive or negative? Why? 	

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7.2.3 7.2.4	8.1	Your Propoganda Poster
	8.2	Women and African-Americans in WWII
	8.3	The Internment Experience
	8.4	Holocaust Journal
	8.5	The Atomic Bomb Debate
		Unit 8 Test
	Final	Top 20 Timeline