# Respect, Responsibility, Kindness, Integrity, & American Citizenship

# Social Studies Grade 6 USII History: 1865 to Present

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### **Course Description**

This course focuses on the history of the United States from the Reconstruction era to the present. Students will use skills for historical and geographic analysis to explore the political, economic, and social challenges that the United States faced following the Civil War through modern day. This course is assessed by a Local Alternative Assessment, which satisfies the Virginia state requirement to assess the course.

## **Grading Procedures**

#### Semester Grading:

Classwork/Homework 20%
Quizzes 30%
Test/Projects 50%

SOL: (<a href="https://www.doe.virginia.gov/testing/sol/standards\_docs/history\_socialscience/">https://www.doe.virginia.gov/testing/sol/standards\_docs/history\_socialscience/</a>)

#### **Unit List:**

- 1. Western Settlement
- 2. Reconstruction
- 3. Post-Reconstruction, Urbanization, Industrialization, & Progressive Movement
- 4. Imperialism & WWI
- 5. The Roaring 20's & Great Depression

- 6. WWII
- 7. Post WWII
- 8. Civil Rights Movement, Domestic Issues, & Foreign Affairs
- 9. Globalization & Current Events

#### **USII Testing Dates (Semester 1)**

Mid-Semester Benchmark: October 15, 2025 Final Benchmark: December 17, 2025

#### **USII Testing Dates (Semester 2)**

Mid-Semester Benchmark: March 13, 2026

Final Benchmark: May 20, 2026

## **Required Materials**

Linton, Bree, and Leslie Swenson. *Our America 1865-Present*. West Palm Beach, FL. Five Ponds Press. 2017.

Keep in classroom: composition notebook, 3 prong folder

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# Classroom Expectations: Show your BLUE

Be Respectful
Learn Every day
Understand Responsibilities
Encourage Everyone

- 1. Be: Prompt: Be on time
- 2. Be Prepared: Have all materials everyday: laptop and work
- 3. Be Positive: If you think you will enjoy class, you will.
- 4. Be Productive: Complete all the assignments.
- 5. Be Polite: Say please, thank you, yes and no.

## **Late Work Policy**

There are two deadlines per quarter for late assignment submission. Any assignment that is not turned in by the respective 4.5 or 9 week reporting periods will remain a 0% in the gradebook.

For example, if an assignment was due week 2, it must be submitted by the 4.5 interim. If it is due week 6, it must be submitted by the 9 week report card date.