

Social Studies- 8th Grade

Parent's Guide to Social Studies: United States History part 1

Permanent Immigrant-Chinese American

Concepts Your Child is Developing	Supporting Social Studies Skills at Home	Resources
<p>Big Ideas/Enduring Understandings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are multiple ways that citizens or non-citizens can exercise their power. Geography and economics influence a society's governmental structure and the distribution of power and land. Domestic and foreign policy can involve diplomacy or violence, and is driven by a society's economics and governmental structure. Different identities within a culture have different privileges and contribute to a hierarchy of supremacy. Nationalism arises from American expansion and Manifest Destiny. Changing technology significantly impacts the course of history. 	<p>Create Identity Collages: Have students create collages that represent their individual and collective identities, incorporating aspects such as culture, family background, interests, and beliefs.</p> <p>Citizenship Timeline: Task students with researching and creating timelines illustrating the evolution of citizenship rights and responsibilities in the United States, highlighting key historical events and legal changes.</p> <p>Nationalism Debates: Organize debates or discussions exploring the role of nationalism in shaping American identity, focusing on historical events like Manifest Destiny, the American Revolution, and contemporary issues.</p> <p>Economic Systems Analysis: Assign students to research and compare different economic systems and their impact on governmental structures, power distribution, and societal values.</p> <p>Identity Reflection Journals: Encourage students to keep reflective journals where they write about their personal experiences with identity, considering factors like ethnicity, gender, socio-economic status, and cultural background.</p> <p>Chinese American Experience Project: Facilitate research projects focusing on various facets of the</p>	<p>Articles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chinese Immigration and the Chinese Exclusion Acts Chinese American Actress's Story Illustrates 'Othering' of Immigrants Nearly 75% of Chinese Americans report discrimination in past year <p>Videos to watch: Click the link:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confronting Anti-Asian Racism: Anti-China Foreign Policy and Legislative Change Chinese migrants are fastest growing group crossing into U.S. from Mexico 60 Minutes Why Chinese People Came To The United States <p>Websites: Anti-Chinese Laws</p> <p>Local Places: Chinatown</p>

<p>Essential Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>How do Americans develop or define their collective and individual identities?</i> • <i>What role does geography play in identity?</i> • <i>How does the concept of citizenship evolve?</i> • <i>What role does nationalism play in American identity?</i> • <i>What are the various facets of the Chinese American experience?</i> 	<p>Chinese American experience, such as immigration history, contributions to American society, cultural traditions, and challenges faced by Chinese Americans.</p> <p>Foreign Policy Case Studies: Analyze historical and contemporary examples of U.S. foreign policy decisions, considering their economic motivations, diplomatic strategies, and implications for both domestic and international communities.</p> <p>Identity Mapping: Guide students in creating identity maps, visually representing the intersections of their multiple identities and exploring how these intersecting identities shape their experiences and perspectives.</p>	
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