

Social Studies Learning Objectives

UNIT 1: Long Ago and Yesterday	
Lessons	Learning Objective
Lesson 1: How do we learn family history?	Trace the history of a family through the use of primary and secondary sources, including artifacts, photographs, interviews and documents
Lesson 2: How is life different today?	Compare and contrast their daily lives with those of their daily lives with those of their parents, grandparents and/or guardians.
Lesson 3: How can we put events in order?	Place important events in their lives in the order in which they occurred (e.g. on a time line or storyboard)

UNIT 2: Map Skills	
Lessons	Learning Objective
Lesson 1: How can we locate Places?	Locate on a simple letter-number grid specific locations and geographic features in their neighborhood or community
Lesson 2: What does a map show?	Label from memory a simple map of the North American Continent. Including the countries, oceans, Great Lakes, major rivers and mountain ranges. Identify the essential map elements; title, legend, directional indicators, scale and date
Lesson 3: Where did my family come from?	Locate on a map where their ancestors lived, telling when the family moved to the local community and how and why they made the trip.
Lesson 4: How do people use land?	Compare and contrast basic land use in urban, suburban and rural environments in California.

UNIT 3: Our Government

Lessons	Learning Objective
Lesson 1: What do governments do?	Explain how the United States and other countries make laws, carry out laws, determine whether laws have been violated, and punish wrongdoers.
Lesson 2: How do people solve problems?	Describe the ways in which groups and nations interact with one another to try to resolve problems in such areas as trade, cultural contacts, treaties, diplomacy and military force.

UNIT 4: Producers and Consumers

Lessons	Learning Objective
Lesson 1: How do people grow and use food?	Describe food production and consumption long ago and today, including the roles of farmers, processors, distributors, weather, and land and water resources
Lesson 2: Who are Buyers and sellers?	Understand the roles and interdependence of buyers (consumers) and sellers (producers) of goods and services.
Lesson 3: How do people use resources?	Understand how limits on resources affect production and consumption

UNIT 5: People in History

Lessons	Learning Objective
Lesson 1: How do heroes make a difference?	Students understand the importance of individual action and character and explain how heroes from long ago and the recent past have made a difference in other's lives (e.g. from biographies of Abraham Lincoln, Louis Pasteur, Sitting Bull, George Washington Carver, Marie Curie, Albert Einstein, Golda Meir, Jackie Robinson, Sally Ride)