

## First Grade Social Studies Course Description:

- In grade 1, students study their relationship to the classroom, school, and community to establish the foundation for responsible citizenship in society
- Students develop concepts of time and chronology
- Students identify anthems and mottoes of the U.S. and Texas
- Students create simple maps
- Students explore the concepts of goods and services and the value of work
- Students identify individuals who exhibit good citizenship
- Students describe the importance of family customs and traditions
- Students identify how technology has changed family life
- Students sequence and categorize information
- Students practice problem-solving, decision-making, and independent-thinking skills

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First Grade Year at a Glance		
<b>Grading Period</b>	Instructional Topics	Instructional Points
1 <sup>st</sup> Grading Period: Belonging	Government & Citizenship: Rules & Laws	The purpose of rules and laws
	Citizenship: Being a Good Citizen	Characteristics of good citizenship exemplified by historical figures and other individuals
	Government: Authority Figures	<ul> <li>How historical figures, patriots, and good citizens helped shape the community, state, and nation</li> <li>The role of authority figures, public officials, and citizens</li> </ul>
	Geography: Maps & Globes	<ul><li>The relative location of places</li><li>The purpose of geographic tools, including maps and globes</li></ul>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grading Period: Celebrations: Past, Present, and Future	Citizenship: U.S. Symbols	<ul> <li>Important symbols, customs, and celebrations that represent American beliefs and principles and contribute to our national identity</li> </ul>
	Citizenship: Voting	<ul> <li>Important symbols, customs, and celebrations that represent American beliefs and principles and contribute to our national identity</li> </ul>
	History: Holidays	<ul> <li>The origins of customs, holidays, and celebrations</li> <li>How historical figures, patriots, and good citizens helped shape the community, state, and nation</li> <li>The importance of family and community beliefs, customs, language, and traditions</li> </ul>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grading Period: Exploring My World	Geography: Landforms	<ul> <li>Physical and human characteristics of place to better understand their community and the world around them</li> </ul>
	Government: Public Officials	The role of authority figures, public officials, and citizens
	Citizenship: Texas Symbols	<ul> <li>Important symbols, customs, and celebrations that represent American beliefs and principles and contribute to our national identity</li> </ul>
	History: Texas History	<ul> <li>The origins of customs, holidays, and celebrations</li> <li>How historical figures, patriots, and good citizens helped shape the community, state, and nation</li> </ul>
	Culture: Texas Traditions	The importance of family and community beliefs, language, and traditions
4 <sup>th</sup> Grading Period: Me and My Economic Choices	Economics: Wants & Needs	<ul> <li>How families meet basic human needs</li> <li>The condition of not being able to have all the goods and services one wants</li> </ul>
	Economics: Goods & Services	The concept of goods and services
	Science, Technology, and Society	<ul> <li>Individuals who created or invented new technology and how technology affects daily life, past and present</li> </ul>
	Economics: Jobs	<ul> <li>The value of work</li> <li>Physical and human characteristics of place to better understand their community and the world around them</li> </ul>

