Changing Communities: Freedom and Equality
Grade 5- Changing Communities: Freedom and Equality (11/19/2015)  
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Description:
In Grade 5, students will engage in the study of events, early in United States history, from indigenous peoples prior to colonization through the American Revolution. Focus will be on the role of Fairfield and Connecticut through this time. An emphasis is placed on analyzing and evaluating a variety of documents, sources, and perspectives.

Overview

**Content Objectives**

Students will understand:
- How Americans define freedom and equality and how American conceptions of freedom and equality changed over the course of U.S. history for members of various groups.
- America’s political, economic, and social opportunities.
- The significance of Connecticut’s contribution to America’s story.
- The significance of Fairfield’s contribution to America’s story.
- The United States society and how has the concept of justice evolved over time.
- What it means to be an American.

**Compelling Questions:**

Students will apply disciplinary concepts to investigate compelling questions such as:

**HISTORY:**
- How did colonization affect and change the freedom of various groups including indigenous Americans; French, British, and Dutch colonists; women; and religious groups?
- In what ways, and for whom, was America an economic land of opportunity during the colonial period?
- How did the development of the colonies and the American Revolution contribute to an American identity?
- How did a perception of injustice fuel conflict during the colonial period in United States history?

**CIVICS:**
- How did laws and rules in the colonies both promote and hinder freedom and equality? How did the actions of colonists in colonial America influence the development of the democratic principles that provided the foundation for our country and still influence us today?
- How effective were colonial policies and actions in influencing British control?

**ECONOMICS:**
- Why was America seen as a land of economic opportunity by the colonists?
- What were the economic contributions and opportunities in the various colonies?

**GEOGRAPHY:**
### How did the physical geography of New England affect how the colonies developed?

- What cultural practices of indigenous Americans and of the colonists influenced how they used land and how they interacted with each other?
- How did conflict affect the voluntary and forced movement of people during colonial development?

### Year at a Glance

**Trimester 1:** Exploration And Early Settlements (Era1)
**Trimester 2:** Colonies And Relations With Indigenous Peoples (Era2)
**Trimester 3:** French and Indian War and American Revolution (Era3)

### Monitoring Student Progress

Students’ progress in relation to the content and skill standards will be measured with teacher-generated as well as district-wide, formative summative and project based assessments.

- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.5.2**
  Determine two or more main ideas of a text and explain how they are supported by key details; summarize the text.
- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.5.3**
  Explain the relationships or interactions between two or more individuals, events, ideas, or concepts in a historical, scientific, or technical text based on specific information in the text.
- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.5.5**
  Compare and contrast the overall structure (e.g., chronology, comparison, cause/effect, and problem/solution) of events, ideas, concepts, or information in two or more texts.
- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.5.6**
  Analyze multiple accounts of the same event or topic, noting important similarities and differences in the point of view they represent.
- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.5.9**
  Integrate information from several texts on the same topic in order to write or speak about the subject knowledgeably.
## Unit 1: Exploration and Early Settlements

### Content Objectives:

**Students will be able to:**
- Explain the reasons (economic, political, social and religious) that lead people to leave Europe for the New World.
- Compare and contrast the settlements of Plymouth and Jamestown.
- Explore why the interactions with the native peoples of New England were important to the survival of the Plymouth Colony.
- Explain the views that indigenous peoples had concerning land ownership and how these views were different from the views of land ownership held by Europeans.

### Unit Compelling and Supporting Questions

**Compelling Question**

Students will apply disciplinary concepts to investigate compelling questions such as:

How did exploration and early settlements affect the perspectives, and change the freedom and opportunities, for various groups?

**Supporting Questions**

Students will apply disciplinary concepts to investigate compelling questions such as:

**HISTORY:**
- What was the impact of explorers and indigenous peoples on early settlements?

**CIVICS:**
- What was the effect of laws and rules established by early settlers?

**ECONOMICS:**
- Why was America seen as the land of opportunity?

**GEOGRAPHY:**
- What role did geography play in exploration and early settlements?

### Standards Emphasized in the Unit

**DIMENSION 1: DEVELOPING QUESTIONS AND PLANNING INQUIRY**

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**DIMENSION 2: APPLYING DISCIPLINARY CONCEPTS AND TOOLS**

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Civic and Political Institutions

CIV 5.1 Explain how groups of people make rules to create responsibilities and protect freedoms.

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ECO 5.1 Identify positive and negative incentives that influence the decisions people make.

Exchange and Markets

ECO 5.2 Identify examples of the variety of resources (human capital, physical capital, and natural resources) that are used to produce goods and services.

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Human Population: Spatial Patterns and Movement

GEO 5.3 Explain how human settlements and movements relate to the locations and use of various natural resources.

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Key academic vocabulary:

C3 Inquiry Standards and Corresponding Connecticut Core Standards:
Content Objectives:
Students will be able to:
- Compare and contrast settlements in the southern, middle, and New England colonies.
- Describe the economic differences between the southern and northern colonies. Identify how the geographic characteristics of the two regions affected the economic conditions in the colonies located in these regions.
- Evaluate similarities and differences between the Connecticut colony and other colonies.
- Identify the different governmental structures in the colonies. Explore why some colonies were governed differently.
- Explore the impact indigenous peoples had on the colonies.

Unit Compelling and Supporting Questions

Compelling Question
Students will apply disciplinary concepts to investigate compelling questions such as:

How did the 13 colonies affect the perspectives, and change the freedom and opportunities for various groups?

Supporting Questions
Students will apply disciplinary concepts to investigate compelling questions such as:

HISTORY:
- How were the lives of children during colonial times similar to the lives of children today?

CIVICS:
- How were governments and laws established in royal colonies?

ECONOMICS:
- How did the economies of the different colonies function both independently and dependently?

GEOGRAPHY:
- How did the geography of the different colonies affect the way they grew and developed over time?

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Content Objectives:

Students will be able to:

- Explore how the French and Indian War affected the relationship between England and its colonies.
- Examine the role of the Connecticut militia in the French and Indian War.
- Analyze the significance of the slogan, “no taxation without representation” in the American colonies.
- Explore the major events that started the actual conflict between the British and the colonies.
- Examine the role of Connecticut in the Revolutionary War and what happened to Loyalists who lived in Connecticut at the beginning of the Revolutionary War.
- Evaluate how indigenous peoples and women both played vital roles in the Revolutionary War.
- Explore how did the colonies united to fight against the injustices of the British?

Unit Compelling and Supporting Questions

Compelling Question

Students will apply disciplinary concepts to investigate compelling questions such as:

How did the American Revolution affect the perspectives, and change the freedom and opportunities, for various groups?

Supporting Questions

Students will apply disciplinary concepts to investigate compelling questions such as:

HISTORY:
- What was life like for various groups during the American Revolution?

CIVICS:
- What is the importance of key documents (e.g., Declaration of Independence, Fundamental Orders of Connecticut) and rules (e.g., being taxed without representation) in the development of America?

ECONOMICS:
- What role did differing economic views (loyalists/rebels; colonists/British) play in the American Revolution?

GEOGRAPHY:
- How did geography play a role in the American Revolution?

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