

Fourth Grade Social Studies Framework							
	Quarter 1		Quarter 2		Quarter 3	Quarter 4	
	Unit 1: Launching Social Studies	Unit 2: Forming a New Nation	Unit 3: Challenges of a New Nation	Unit 4: The Nation Expands	Unit 5: Abolition, Suffrage, and the Civil War	Unit 6: Reconstruction	Unit 7: Personal Finance
GSE for Social Studies	Information Processing Skills 1-17 Map and Globe Skills 1-11 Connecting Themes 1, 2, 6-14	SS4H1.a, b, c, d SS4CG1a SS4G1b SS4G2a SS4E1e	SS4H2.a, b SS4CG1.b, c, d SS4CG2 SS4CG3.a, b SS4G1b	SS4H3.a, b, c SS4E1a, d, f SS4G1.a, b SS4G2b	SS4H4 SS4H5.a, b, c, d, e SS4E1.b, c, e, f SS4G1b	SS4H6.a, b, c, d SS4CG1a SS4CG2	SS4E1.a SS4E2
Key Skills and Concepts	Identify: tools used by historians, geographers, economists, political scientists Identify: Connecting themes across Social Studies domains	Explain: causes, events, & results of the American Revolution. Describe: the meaning of “Life, Liberty, & The Pursuit of Happiness” in the Declaration of Independence. Locate: New York City, NY; Boston, MA; Philadelphia, PA Explain: how geography affected the battles of the American Revolutionary War. Describe: how trade between the Colonies & Europe promoted economic activity. Explain: how opportunity cost & price incentives affected the decision to go to war.	Analyze & Evaluate: challenges & issues addressed at the Constitutional Convention. Describe the Meaning Of: “We the People,” the federal system of government, & representative democracy/republic. Explain the Importance Of: First Amendment to the US Constitution. Describe: structure of the US Government; purpose of the Bill of Rights. Locate: Philadelphia, PA; Washington, D.C	Explain: causes & motivations for westward expansion; the impact of westward expansion on American Indians. Examine: the abolitionist & suffrage movements. Describe: how opportunity cost, price incentives, voluntary exchange, & technological innovations affected people’s decisions to move west. Locate: major physical & man-made features of the United States; Erie Canal. Describe: how geography affected westward expansion.	Explain: causes, events, & consequences of the Civil War. Describe: how price incentives, specialization, & technological innovations affected the economies of the northern & southern states. Locate: Gettysburg, PA	Analyze: effects of Reconstruction on American life.	Identify: Elements of a personal budget. Explain: the importance of saving & spending decisions.
Studies Weekly Publications	Wk 1- Government and Cultural Themes Wk 2- Geographic and Economic Themes Wk 3- Physical and Man-Made Characteristics: Part 1 Wk 4- Physical and Man-Made Characteristics: Part 2	Wk 6- Clash of the Empires Wk 7- Consequences of the French and Indian War Wk 8- The Acts of Parliament Wk 9- The Actions of the Colonies Wk 10- The Shot Heard ‘Round the World Wk 11- I&R: The Government Wk 12- I&R: The People Wk 13- I&R: The Military Wk 14- Outcomes of the American Revolution	Wk 15- The Founders and Process Wk 16- The Constitution Wk 17- Structure and Function of Government Wk 19- The Bill of Rights	Wk 20- The New Nation Expands Wk 21- War of 1812 Wk 22- America on the Move Wk 23- Expansion and Growth Wk 24- American Indian Nations and Removal Wk 25- The CA Gold Rush Wk 35- Technological Innovation	Wk 26- Slavery in America Wk 27- Abolition and Suffrage Wk 28- Compromise to Keep Slavery Legal Wk 29- The Road to War Wk 30- The House Divided by War Wk 31- Of Souls and Soldiers	Wk 32- Building the Peace Wk 33- Rebuilding the Union	Wk 34- Economic Principles Wk 36- Personal Finance