Social Studies Curriculum

Fifth Grade "Making a New Nation - 1800"

By the end of fifth grade students know and understand the story of the development of the nation, with emphasis on the period up to 1800. They focus on one of the most remarkable stories in history: the creation of a new nation, peopled by immigrants from all parts of the globe, and governed by institutions founded on the Judeo-Christian heritage, the ideals of the Enlightenment, and English traditions of self-government. This experiment was inspired by the innovative dream of building a new society, a new order for the ages, in which the promises of the Declaration of Independence would be realized. Whenever possible, events should be seen through the eyes of participants such as explorers, Native Americans, colonists, slaves and free blacks, children, or pioneers. The narrative for the year must reflect the experiences of different racial, religious, and ethnic groups.

Archdiocese of Santa Fe Standard 1: History:

Students are able to identify important people and events; understand trends and movements; as well as analyze significant patterns, relationships, themes, ideas, beliefs and turning points in New Mexico, United States and world history. Students will evaluate historic and current events in the context of Catholic Social Principles and recognize the role of the Church in human history.

LEARNING OUTCOMES (What students will be able to do, know, understand and value)	SAMPLE ASSESSMENTS/STRATEGIES (What evidence will demonstrate that students have achieved the Learning Outcome)	BEST PRACTICES
Students are able to identify important people and events in order to analyze significant patterns, relationships, themes, ideas, beliefs, and turning points in United States history in order to understand the complexity of the human experience.	nave acme vee the Bearing Outcome)	
Describe major pre-Columbian settlements, including the Cliff Dwellers	 Create a Four-Door book with a map of the United States divided into the four regions. 	

and Pueblo people of the desert Southwest, the American Indians of the Pacific Northwest, the nomadic nations of the Great Plains and the Woodland peoples east of the Mississippi River to include characteristics, development of tools, and adaptation to environments. 2. Identify early trade routes and their influence in the discovery of North	 Under each flap list characteristics, development of tools, and adaptations to environments. Create a map showing trade routes and early exploration routes. 	
America (e.g., Silk Road). 3. Diagram the routes of early explorers and describe the early explorations of the Americas (e.g., Magellan, Coronado, Leif Erikson, Juan Ponce de Leon, Da Gama, Balboa, Marco Polo).	 Create a timeline of early explorers. Research an explorer and prepare a PowerPoint presentation for the class. 	
4. Analyze the colonization, immigration, and settlement patterns of the American people up to 1800.	Write five journal entries detailing a voyage to new lands including: method of transportation, terrain, reasons for traveling, and point of origin.	
5. Describe the cooperation and conflict that existed among the Indian nations and the European settlers (i.e., agriculture, cultural exchanges, alliances and conflicts – e.g., the first Thanksgiving, the Pueblo Revolt, French and Indian War).	Make a three-column chart labeled: Groups (Settler/Indian Nation name), cooperation, and conflict. Give multiple of examples of cooperation/conflict.	
6. Understand the French and Indian War in relation to colonization of the British.	Map the conflicts of the French and Indian War in relation to the Appalachians and Colonies.	
7. Explain the significance of major historical documents (e.g., the Mayflower Compact, the Declaration of Independence, the Federalist Papers, United States Constitution, Bill of Rights, government to government accords).	Have students create a newscast depicting a major historical document. Have an anchorperson detail the impact of the document on the society.	
8. Identify and interpret reasons leading up to the Revolutionary War.	• Create a cause and effect chart showing the British actions and the colonists reactions.	

9. Understand the course and consequences of the American Revolution.	 Have students create a "what if" chart showing possible outcomes if the revolution had not succeeded. 	
 10. Describe the people and events associated with the development of the United States Constitution and determine their significance to the foundation of the American republic, to include: a) Colonists' and Native Americans' shared sense of individualism, independence and religious freedom that developed before the revolution. b) Articles of Confederation. c) Purpose of the Constitutional Convention. d) Natural rights expressed in the Declaration of Independence. 	Create a poster illustrating the natural rights expressed in the Declaration of Independence. Include pictures or ideas from modern society that show these rights are still in place today.	
11. Describe the contributions and roles of major individuals, including George Washington, James Madison and Benjamin Franklin.	Write a biography report on an historical figure and then give a presentation (wax museum) orally, dressed as the figure.	

Archdiocese of Santa Fe Standard 2:

People in Societies, Cultural Diversity and Catholic Identity:

Students are able to explore, describe, compare and contrast the diverse nature of various cultures as reflected through their literature, language, arts, traditions, beliefs, values and behaviors. Students will describe, compare and contrast similarities and differences in the ways groups, societies, cultures and the Catholic Church address similar human needs and concerns while developing a respect for the dignity of human life.

LEARNING OUTCOMES	SAMPLE ASSESSMENTS/STRATEGIES	BEST PRACTICES
(What students will be able to do, know,	(What evidence will demonstrate that students	

understand and value)	have achieved the Learning Outcome)	
Students will describe cultural similarities, differences, and connections among various cultures; strive to understand the work of God in the history of His people and develop a respect for the dignity of human life.	<u> </u>	
 Identify the effects of the Crusades on the Age of Exploration. Explain the motivations for the European exploration of the Americas, (e.g., Leif Erikson, Christopher Columbus, John Cabot, Hernán Cortez, Jacques Cartier, Henry Hudson). 	 Write a paragraph summarizing the effects of the Crusades on exploration. Create a Four-Door book – label the doors with the Who (Explorers name), What, When and Where and research using a variety of resources (internet, library etc.) to complete. 	
 3. Analyze the Christian motivation for the exploration of the Americas. 4. List the religious aspects of the earliest colonies to include: religious affiliation, founders, daily practices. 	 Write a paragraph summarizing why Christians were eager to explore and settle the new land. Create a slide show with one slide for each colony describing the colony's location, religious affiliation, founders 	
5. Describe and explain the reasons for colonization, to include: religious freedom, desire for land, economic opportunity, including the roles and views of key individuals who founded colonies (e.g., John Smith, William Penn, Lord Baltimore).	 and daily practices. Choose a colony and create a Bio-cube detailing reasons for colonization, roles of key individuals, economic opportunities and location. 	
6. Determine how the introduction of slavery into the United States laid a foundation for conflict.	Create a Venn diagram comparing and contrasting slavery in the colonies to slavery after the formation of the United States. White the formation of the United States.	
 7. Compare African American and Native American slavery. (Bartolomé de Las Casas) 8. Describe the development of slavery as a widespread practice that limits human 	 Write a two paragraph compare/contrast paper. Write a journal entry about how your life would be different today if you were a 	

	freedoms and potentials. Identify the impact of Catholic Missionaries on the spread of Catholicism and on colonization (e.g., Frances Xavier, Bartolomé de Las Casas, Junipero Serra, Marcos de Niza, Juan de Oñate).	 Create a two tab concept map book, labeled Catholic Missionaries and each side labeled: spread of Catholicism and Colonization. Have students record the impact of Catholic Missionaries and key figures under each section. 	
	Identify the major figures in the Revolution and their contributions (e.g., Samuel Adams, Nathanael Greene, Patrick Henry, Thomas Jefferson, Thomas Paine, Paul Revere).	 Create a timeline with major Revolutionary figures and their contributions. 	
11.	Explain the significance and importance of American customs, symbols, and celebrations.	 Create a poster of an American custom, symbol, or celebration. Include: why it is celebrated, how, and by whom. 	
12.	Identify and summarize contributions of various racial, ethnic and religious groups to national identity (e.g., Hiawatha, Tecumeseh, Metacom, Pontiac).	 Make a classroom paper quilt using symbolic images of student ancestry to demonstrate the variety of national identity. 	
13.	Describe selected ethnic and religious customs and celebrations that enhance local, state, tribal and national identities.	 Have a culture day where students present a report on a selected ethnic group followed by a culture rich lunch (each student brings a food from the culture they researched). 	
	Explore how the Church has adapted to physical and human changes in various regions (Frances Xavier).	 Have students research the Church in various regions and list human and physical adaptations that have been made (language, buildings). 	
15.	Recognize the Church and its purpose to spread religion.	 Write a paragraph summarizing the Church's mission. 	
16.	Describe the relationship between the Church and Native Americans.	 Research significant Church figures in the Southwest and write a two paragraph paper describing the relationship. 	
17.	Recognize and locate major Church landmarks (e.g., Vatican, major cathedrals of the United States, St. Francis Basilica	 Map the major church landmarks – create a map key showing: churches, cathedrals, missions, etc. 	

in Santa Fe, Mission churches in New Mexico). 18. Discuss the Church's stand/beliefs concerning slavery.	 Create an anti-slavery PowerPoint and include quotes from the Church to support your argument. 	
19. Compare and contrast the Church with other religious groups, both major world religions and other Christian denominations.	Choose a major world religion and create a compare/contrast poster.	
20. Recognize the Church's values and beliefs as it merged with religious customs of various ethnic groups.	 Research a religious custom/holiday and give a report on variations caused by ethnic groups. 	
21. Explore the relationship of Church and state prior to and after the Constitution.	 Create a two-tab book labeled Before Constitution and After Constitution and under each flap write the differences. 	
22. Recognize the impact of the Church on individual and group decisions in a democratic society.	 Research controversial issues in today's society and write two paragraphs about how the Church has influenced public opinion. 	

Archdiocese of Santa Fe Standard 3:

Geography:

Students are able to use a variety of geographic tools in order to locate and distinguish among varying landforms and geographic features; and use maps of cities, regions, states, countries and the world to demonstrate understanding of relative location, direction, size and shape. Students will understand how physical, natural and cultural processes influence where people live, the ways in which people live and how societies interact with one another and their environments.

LEARNING OUTCOMES	SAMPLE ASSESSMENTS/STRATEGIES	BEST PRACTICES
(What students will be able to do, know,	(What evidence will demonstrate that students have	
understand and value)	achieved the Learning Outcome)	
Students understand how physical, natural,		

and cultural processes influence where people		
and cultural processes influence where people		
live, the ways in which people live, and how		
societies interact with one another and their		
environments.		
1. Make and use different kinds of maps,	 Make a chart of population in New Mexico 	
globes, charts, databases and timelines.	by ethnic group.	
2. Demonstrate how different areas of the	 Make a map showing the regions, 	
United States are organized and	interstates, and major waterways.	
interconnected.		
3. Demonstrate a relational understanding of	 Create a time-zone map and tell what time 	
time zones.	your favorite show would play in each zone.	
4. Identify the major countries of North	• Label on a map the major countries of North	
America.	America.	
5. Identify and locate on a map: the	• Have students label on a map the continents	
continents, major oceans and the 50 states	and oceans.	
and capitals of the United States.		
6. Explain the physical and human	 Make a layered book with a tab for each 	
characteristics of places and use this	region. Under each section identify the	
knowledge to define regions and their	physical and human characteristics of each	
relationships with other regions.	region and draw an illustration of each	
	region.	
7. Indentify tribal territories within the	• Label the tribal territories on an outline map	
states.	of the United States.	
8. Identify and locate natural and man-made	 Have students create a pamphlet about a 	
features of local, regional, state, national	natural or man-made feature.	
and international locales, to include: the		
Rockies, the Appalachians, the great		
plains, the great lakes, significant rivers,		
etc.		
9. Compare the countries bordering on the	 Create a poster of a North American 	
United States regarding: language,	country. Identify the primary language,	
culture, and religion.	money, location and major landforms.	
10. Compare and contrast similarities and	 Create a Venn diagram 	
differences among regions of the globe	comparing/contrasting two regions and their	
and their patterns of change.	changes.	
11. Identify the European countries that	 Create a colony map labeled with the 	

colonized the North American continent and their areas of settlement. 12. Identify the influence of location and physical setting on the founding of the original 13 colonies, their location on a map along with the location of the American Indian Nations already inhabiting these areas.	colony, European country that founded it and region. • Create a Four-Door book with the picture of the colony on the outside. Under the flaps show: location on map, physical setting, American Indian Nations of the area and name of colony.
13. Map the major battles, landmarks, landforms and waterways that influenced historical events.	Create a map showing the major battles of the American Revolution.
14. Explain how physical features influenced the expansion of the United States.	Use the Internet or library resources to find a map that shows the route that settlers took to get to New Mexico. Make a list of physical features that would present challenges to the settlers traveling to what is now Illinois.
15. Understand how human behavior impacts man-made and natural environments.	Create a brochure discussing the impact of human activity on an environment (e.g., rainforest, ocean pollution, dam, canal, bridge, etc.).
16. Employ major fundamental geography vocabulary (e.g., latitude, longitude, interdependence, accessibility, connection).	Find the latitude and longitude of your school.
17. Identify and define geographic issues and problems from accounts of current events.	Read the newspaper and write a report on a current event that is impacted by (or impacts) geography.

Archdiocese of Santa Fe Standard 4:

Economics:

Students are able to understand and explain basic economic principles and use economic reasoning skills to analyze the impact of economic systems (including the market economy) on individuals, families, businesses, communities, and governments. They can explain and demonstrate financial literacy about the role of money in everyday life and use economic reasoning and Catholic Social Teaching to compare and contrast different economic systems and how they interact from an historical and current point of view.

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(What students will be able to do, know,	(What evidence will demonstrate that students have	
understand and value)	achieved the Learning Outcome)	
Students understand basic economic principles		
and use economic reasoning skills to analyze		
the impact of economic systems (including the		
market economy) on individuals, families,		
businesses, communities, and governments.		
1. Explain the basic economic patterns of early societies (e.g., hunter-gathers, early farming, trade).	 Using the Internet or library resources research early societies and their economic systems (e.g., bartering, wampum, etc.). 	
Explain the economic motivation of exploration and colonization by colonial powers.	 Create a table showing the economic motivation of colonization for each colony. 	
3. Understand the patterns of work and economic activities in New Mexico and the United States (e.g., farming, ranching, oil and gas production, high tech, manufacturing, medicine).	Using the Internet or library resources research the major industries of New Mexico and the United States. Write two paragraphs detailing the industries.	
4. Understand the impact of supply and demand on consumers and producers in a free-enterprise system.	 Write a short story about what would happen if candy was is short supply and hard to get. 	
5. Understand that resources impact daily life.	 Make a cause and effect chart describing what would happen if there was a shortage of resources (e.g., natural gas, electricity, 	

6. Explain the basic questions of economics: what to produce, how to produce, and for whom to produce.	 water, etc.). Have students work in groups to come up with a product that could be sold to their school mates to make a profit. 	
7. Describe the aspects of trade (e.g., supply and demand, availability, price, tariffs, shipping costs, etc.).	Play a trading game where each student is given a product to trade. As each trade is made have students connect to another student by a yarn line on floor. When all trades are made, the students should be connected to each other creating a web.	
8. Define voluntary trade and demonstrate its non-coercive nature.	• Give each student a small toy or trinket, have them rate the toy they got. Then let them trade (remind them that they do NOT have to trade if they do not want to). Have them rate their satisfaction again after all trading is done.	
9. Identify the influence of bordering countries (Canada and Mexico) on United States commerce.	Have students create a three-tab concept map book detailing the commerce of Canada, Mexico, and the United States.	

Archdiocese of Santa Fe Standard 5:

Government, Civics and Citizenship:

Students are able to identify the ideals, rights and responsibilities of citizenship; explain government and its role and responsibilities to society; identify and distinguish various forms of government; examine historical documents and the impact they had on the development of government particularly the United States and New Mexico; and describe how government functions at local, state, tribal and national levels. Students will analyze the causes, consequences, and possible solutions to persistent, contemporary and emerging city, state, national and world problems in light of Catholic Social Teaching.

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(What students will be able to do, know,	(What evidence will demonstrate that students have	
understand and value)	achieved the Learning Outcome)	
Students understand the ideals, rights, and		
responsibilities of citizenship and understand		
the content and history of the founding		
documents of the United States with particular		
emphasis on the United States Constitution		
and how government functions at local, state,		
tribal and national levels.		
1. Recognize early representative	 Make a two-column chart labeled: 	
government and distinguish democratic	Representative government and democratic	
practices that emerged (e.g., Iroquois	practices used. Complete each column.	
Nation model, town meetings,		
assemblies).		
2. Define the fundamental ideals and	Define the terms listed and give an example	
principles of our republican form of	of each in American life.	
government (e.g., inalienable rights such		
as "life, liberty, and the pursuit of		
happiness," the rule of law, justice,		
equality under the law).		
3. Explain how the three branches of	Create a Three-tab book with each tab	
national government function and how	labeled with a branch of the national	
they are defined in the United States	government. Under the respective tab define	
Constitution.	the powers, function and checks and	
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4. Explain the meaning of the American	Discuss the elements of American history	
creed that calls on citizens to safeguard	and tradition found in the American's Creed.	
the liberty of individual Americans within	Working in groups, create a paragraph that	
a unified nation, to respect the rule of law	represents a brief summary of American	
and to preserve the constitutions of local,	political faith. Compare your creed to the	
state, tribal and federal governments.	version by William Tyler Page.	
5. Memorize the Preamble to the	Have students recite the Preamble to the	
Constitution.	Constitution.	

6. Identify and describe the significance of	Choose an American landmark or symbol
American symbols, and landmarks (e.g., Washington D.C., Liberty Bell, Statue of Liberty).	and prepare and oral presentation about it – include a visual aid poster.
7. Compare and contrast the basic government sovereignty of local, state, tribal and national governments.	Write a paper comparing the rights and privileges of tribal and state government.
8. Discuss changes of governance of New Mexico (e.g., indigenous, Spanish, Mexican, French, Texan, Confederate, United States).	Make a time-line of the governance of New Mexico.
 Summarize the significance of participation, responsibility and cooperation in a classroom and a community. 	 Write a "what if" paper in which students write about what might happen if nobody participated in the class, community and nation.
10. Understand the impact of individual and group decisions on communities in a democratic society.	 Have a class election on what movie to watch or game to play. Only continue when the vote is unanimous. Have students take a class survey of their satisfaction of the results.
11. Implement mediation for resolving conflicts and disagreements.	Create a mediation system for classroom disputes. Elect mediators to assist in resolving disputes.
12. Examine current events to keep informed of recent happenings.	 Read the newspaper and find an article of interest. Write a report summarizing the article and telling how it impacted the area (local, state or national) and how it affects you.

Archdiocese of Santa Fe Standard 6:

Social Studies Skills, Methods and Technology:

Students are able to effectively use critical thinking, research, communication and technology to obtain and use information from oral, visual, print, and electronic sources, both primary and secondary. They can evaluate the reliability and credibility of sources, both fact and opinion; organize and interpret information and communicate orally, visually and in writing; and analyze and synthesize information in order to draw conclusions and to make inferences and predictions. Students will apply the teachings of the Catholic Church as they evaluate the quality and effectiveness of sources of information and effectively share, exchange, explore and question facts and opinions. Knowledge and use of Social Studies skills, methods and technology are integrated throughout the curriculum.

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(What students will be able to do, know,	(What evidence will demonstrate that students have	
understand and value)	achieved the Learning Outcome)	
Students will use critical thinking, research,		
communication, technology, and study skills to		
learn about the United States.		
1. Use resources (e.g., libraries, museums, historical societies, courthouse, internet, family records, elders) to gather, organize and interpret historical information using a variety of media and technology.	Research a topic using at least two sources; cite the sources in your presentation.	
2. Distinguish between, locate and use primary and secondary sources (e.g., computer software, interviews, biographies, oral histories, print, visual material, artifacts) to acquire information.	 Have students create a primary source poster of an event from their life (they can use pictures, journal entries, poetry and captions). Have them discuss what makes it a primary source. 	
3. Differentiate between reliable and unreliable sources. Understand the author's point of view, bias, etc.	Divide the class into two groups. Make one group Loyalists, and one group Patriots. Have them create a newspaper reporting on the: Stamp Act, Townsend Act, Boston Massacre, Boston Tea Party, and the Intolerable Acts.	
4. Identify points of agreement and	 Compare two sources using a Venn 	

	disagreement between sources.	diagram.
5.	Analyze and interpret political cartoons.	Discuss symbolism. Look at political cartoons, evaluate the symbolism. Also try to determine author's point of view and bias.
6.	Use evidence to support point of view.	Hold a class debate.
7.	Show the relationship between social contexts and events.	 Write a compare/contrast paper about seeing a movie with friends or watching a movie your teacher has prepared for you. Answer these questions: How did you feel about each experience? Who created the movie? Who was the intended audience?
8.	Utilize effective communication skills and strategies to share research findings.	Present a report orally. Include visual aids.
9.	Use spatial organization to communicate information (e.g., take notes, create outlines and utilize graphic organizers to organize information).	Take notes using a variety of styles such as Cornell, outlining, and mind mapping. Use the notes to create a review for the chapter or lesson.