

Period 1: 1491-1607

Course Introduction

Introduction to AP US History

Age of Exploration

Introduction to Unit 1

American Indians of the East Coast

Compare and contrast the systems of government created by Eastern American Indian cultures.

Describe the common qualities shared by diverse American Indian cultures in eastern North America.

Locate and identify major American Indian cultures in eastern North America during the age of exploration.

Voyages of Exploration

Determine how new technologies improve travel for exploration.

Explain European motivations for exploration.

Identify the impact each exploration and explorer made on society.

Conquest of the Americas

Describe the Spanish conquest of the Aztec and Inca empires.

Explain Spain's motivations for colonization in the New World.

Explain the effects of Spanish colonization on the American Indians in the New World.

English Exploration

Describe the reasons for the failure of early English settlements.

Evaluate the successes and failures of Jamestown.

Identify the goals of the Virginia Company.

French and Dutch Exploration

Describe the importance of the fur trade, farming, and the Mississippi River to the establishment of New France.

Examine the reasons for early French exploration of the Americas, including the voyages of Verrazano and Cartier.

Explain the influence of trade on the establishment of New Netherland and New Amsterdam.

Historical Thinking Skills

Analyze how historical thinking skills can be used to understand historical concepts.

Identify the different types of historical thinking skills.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 1: Colliding Worlds, 1450-1600

AP Skills: Answering the Short-Answer Question

AP Skills: Answering Multiple-Choice Questions



Unit Test

Describe European motivations for exploration and colonization.

Describe the effects of European colonization on American Indian societies.

Explain how the exchange of ideas, goods, diseases, and people affected American, African, and European societies.

Explain how the exchange of ideas, goods, diseases, and peoples developed after European contact.

Explain the characteristics of diverse American Indian societies and the reasons for these differences.

Period 2: 1607-1754

Settlement of the American Colonies

Introduction to Unit 2

The Columbian Exchange

Describe the cultural values brought to the Americas by early European explorers.

Explain the impact of new diseases on the Americas.

Identify the consumer goods and raw materials that were exchanged between the Americas and Europe.

The Middle Passage

Describe the conditions experienced by slaves who were forced to travel the Middle Passage.

Describe the impact of slavery on Africa and the Americas.

Explain the economic and agricultural reasons for the establishment of slavery in the Caribbean.

Colonization

Describe motivations for the English colonization of North America.

Explain how geography affected the settlement of the thirteen colonies.

Identify the geographic features of the eastern United States.

The New England Colonies

Analyze the relationships between colonists and American Indians in New England.

Describe political and social challenges faced by early New England colonies.

Describe the founding and settlement of the Plymouth and Massachusetts Bay colonies.

Explain how religion affected colonial society in New England.

The Southern Colonies

Analyze the relationships between colonists and American Indians.

Describe the founding and settlement of each southern colony.

Describe the political, economic, and social characteristics of each southern colony.

Explain the role of indentured servitude and slavery in the economy of the southern colonies.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 2: American Experiments, 1521-1700



Life in the Colonies

The Middle Colonies

Describe the political, economic, and social characteristics of each of the middle colonies.

Explain the effects of the transfer of Dutch colonies to Great Britain.

Explain the role of religion in the founding of Maryland and Pennsylvania, including the role of proprietorship.

Identify the reasons for the founding and settlement of the middle colonies.

Colonial Life

Compare the social characteristics of different American colonial regions.

Describe how democratic principles and self-government were established in the colonies.

Describe the colonists' early conflicts and relationships with American Indians.

Explain the British government's management of its colonial holdings, including the principle of salutary neglect.

New Economies

Contrast the competing economic views between the British government and the colonists.

Describe the economies of the southern, middle, and New England colonies.

Explain the purpose and effects of British laws that restricted trade in the colonies.

The Growth of Slavery

Compare the nature of slavery in the southern, middle, and New England colonies.

Contrast the experiences of free blacks and enslaved people in the colonies.

Describe the evolution of slave codes in the colonies.

Explain the causes of the shift from indentured servitude to slavery in the colonies.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 3: The British Atlantic World, 1660-1750

Conflict and Change

Religious Revival

Describe the role of Quakerism, Anglicanism, and religious tolerance in the middle and southern colonies.

Explain how changing Puritan beliefs affected the colonists of New England.

Explain the effects of the Great Awakening on colonial society.

The Enlightenment

Describe the impact of the Glorious Revolution and the Bill of Rights on the colonies.

Explain the contributions of Enlightenment thinkers to political ideas in the colonies.

Identify the political principles supported by new thinkers in the Enlightenment.

The French and Indian War

Explain the significance of the Albany Plan of Union.

Identify and describe the causes of the French and Indian War.

List and describe the effects of the French and Indian War.



Reading Lesson, Chapter 4: Growth, Diversity, and Conflict, 1720-1763

AP Skills: Writing a Long Essay

Unit Test

Compare and contrast the regional development of British colonies with regard to their economic development and political structure.

Compare and contrast the regional development of British colonies with regard to their social characteristics and settlement patterns.

Describe the causes and effects of the French and Indian War.

Describe the effects of European colonization on American Indians.

Describe the social and economic goals of Spanish, French, Dutch, and British colonizers.

Explain the reasons for the development of slavery and the slave trade in the British colonies.

Period 3: 1754-1800

Revolutionary Ideals

Introduction to Unit 3

Sons of Liberty

Explain the provisions of the Stamp Act and identify and describe colonial responses to its passage.

Identify and describe the provisions of the Intolerable Acts.

Sequence the events that led to fighting at Lexington and Concord.

Trace the events of the Boston Massacre, and describe its effects.

The Revolution Begins

Describe the effects of the Siege of Boston and the Battle of Bunker Hill.

Explain the importance of *Common Sense* to the growth of revolutionary spirit in the colonies.

Given a passage from Common Sense, analyze Paine's arguments for independence.

Identify the steps taken by the Second Continental Congress to organize the thirteen colonies into a new nation.

The Declaration of Independence

Analyze the reasons for colonists' grievances against British rule.

Describe the connection between the Declaration of Independence and earlier documents that influenced it.

Explain the purpose of the Declaration of Independence and the process used to draft and ratify it.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 5: The Problem of Empire, 1763-1776

Revolution and Independence

Fighting the Revolutionary War

Analyze the importance of foreign involvement in the war and how French assistance led to victory at Yorktown.

Describe the hardships faced by the Continental Army at the beginning of the Revolutionary War.

Explain how the battles at Trenton and Saratoga inspired colonial resistance and rallied the Continental Army.



A Weak Confederation

Analyze the effects of the Land Ordinance of 1785 and the Northwest Ordinance of 1787 on settlement.

Describe the provisions of the Articles of Confederation.

Explain the failure of the Articles to provide an organized financial system, a stable economy, and military protection for the colonies.

Creating a Constitution

Describe the distribution of power between the people, the states, and the federal government.

Describe the obstacles the Constitution faced during the process of drafting.

Explain how the Constitution creates a government structure that separates powers and establishes checks and balances.

Ratification and the Bill of Rights

Describe the points of view of the Federalists and anti-Federalists.

Explain the protections given to the accused and the imprisoned by the Bill of Rights.

Identify the freedoms provided to all citizens in the Bill of Rights.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 6: Making War and Republican Governments, 1776-1789

The New Nation

Latin American Revolutions

Describe the causes and effects of the Revolution in Haiti.

Explain how Latin American countries gained independence.

Explain how the challenges facing Latin American countries following their independence led to political instability.

Washington's Presidency

Contrast Jefferson's opinions on the interpretation of the Constitution with the opinions of the Federalists.

Describe the challenges faced by the new nation during Washington's first term.

Explain Alexander Hamilton's plan to help the nation's finances.

Political Parties

Contrast the points of view of Washington and Jefferson on the French Revolution.

Describe the impact of the Whiskey Rebellion.

Identify the beliefs of the early Federalist and Democratic-Republican Parties.

Adams's Presidency

Describe the provisions of the Alien and Sedition Acts.

Explain how the election of 1800 was a turning point in American history.

Explain how the growing conflict between the US and France threatened American neutrality.

Identify the purpose of the Virginia and Kentucky Resolutions and explain how they established the principle of nullification.

American Indians in the Revolutionary Era

Reading Lesson, Chapter 7: Hammering Out a Federal Republic, 1787-1820 (Part I)

Essay Assignment



Unit Test

Describe factors that united the colonies against British rule in the years leading up to the American Revolution.

Describe the challenges faced by Washington and his administration in the new nation.

Describe the factors that influenced the development of American government systems in the early republic.

Explain how the concept of "Republican Motherhood" shaped the role of women in the new nation.

Explain the reasons for continued tensions between settlers and American Indian groups.

Identify the factors that led to the American victory in the revolution.

Period 4: 1800-1848

Growth of the Republic

Introduction to Unit 4

Expansion and Settlement

Analyze the reasons for the acquisition of the Louisiana Territory.

Describe the accomplishments of the Lewis and Clark expedition.

Explain the provisions of the Northwest Ordinance of 1787 and explain its impact on American expansion.

Identify reasons why the physical geography of the Old Northwest region made it attractive for settlement.

Marshall's Court

Analyze the effects of Gibbons v. Oqden on the role of the federal government in business matters.

Describe how McCulloch v. Maryland defined the powers of Congress.

Explain how Marbury v. Madison defined the powers of the Supreme Court.

Conflict with England and France

Describe the causes of the War of 1812.

Describe the reasons for the establishment of the Monroe Doctrine.

Explain the effects of the War of 1812 on politics, foreign relations, and American Indian issues.

Identify the United States' territorial gains in the early 1800s.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 7: Hammering Out a Federal Republic, 1787-1820 (Part II)

Compromise and Reform

Expanding Democracy

Describe the factors that influenced the election of 1828.

Explain how the "corrupt bargain" of 1824 led to the formation of a new political party.

Identify the changes in democratic participation that occurred during the Jackson Era.

The Missouri Compromise

Describe the significance of the Missouri Compromise of 1820.

Examine the debate over whether to admit new states into the Union as free or slave.



Reform Movements

Describe reformers' responses to social issues during the early 1800s.

Describe the characteristics of American society in the Jackson Era.

Explain the causes of the Second Great Awakening, and describe its effects on American culture.

Women and Families in the New Republic

Reading Lesson, Chapter 8: Creating a Republican Culture, 1790-1820

Industrialization and Immigration

The Industrialized North

Analyze the impact of industrialization on factory workplaces and the populations of Northern cities.

Describe the impact of the transportation revolution on the US economy.

Examine the effects of rapid industrialization on the economy and society of the North.

Identify the reasons for the rise of nativism in response to immigration in cities.

Growing Infrastructure

Describe the improvements in infrastructure proposed in Henry Clay's American System.

Evaluate the effects of inventions or innovations of the era on life in America.

Explain how transportation innovations and infrastructure improvements affected the United States.

Early Immigration

Compare and contrast immigrants of the early 1800s with those who arrived in earlier time periods.

Describe the effects of increased immigration on American society.

Explain the reasons for the discrimination faced by many immigrants in the early 1800s.

Identify the causes for new waves of immigration seen in the 1830s and 1840s.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 9: Transforming the Economy, 1800-1860

Expansion of Democracy

The Nullification Crisis

Compare and contrast the political views of congressional leaders with regard to states' rights, federalism, and sectionalism.

Describe the events of the nullification crisis.

Examine the growing debate over states' rights in the early and mid-1800s.

The National Bank

Analyze Jackson's decision to veto the national bank.

Describe the accomplishments of the Jackson presidency.

Explain the impact of the spoils system on American politics.



Indian Removal

Analyze the impact of the Indian Removal Act of 1830.

Describe the reactions and responses of American Indians to the removal policy.

Examine the shift in the federal government's Indian policy from assimilation to removal.

Identify the effects of removal on American Indians.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 10: A Democratic Revolution, 1800-1844

American Society in the Antebellum Era

American Art and Literature

Describe the romanticism movement, and identify important authors and works associated with it.

Examine the influence of transcendentalism on American art and culture.

Identify the relationship between the natural environment and early American art and literature.

Rise of Abolitionism

Analyze the role of print media in spreading antislavery sentiment.

Examine the role of the Second Great Awakening in promoting the abolitionist cause.

Identify the contributions of early abolitionist leaders.

Rights for Women

Describe the provisions of the Seneca Falls Declaration of Sentiments.

Describe the role of women in America in the 1800s.

Explain the significance of the Seneca Falls Convention.

Identify the legal restrictions faced by women in the early 1800s.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 11: Religion and Reform, 1800-1860

Slavery and the South

The Economic Impact of Slavery

Compare and contrast the economic systems in the North and the South.

Examine the impact of technological innovations on the expansion of slavery.

Identify the role of slavery in the society and economy of the South.

Slavery in American Culture

Analyze the role of Uncle Tom's Cabin in bringing awareness to the condition of the enslaved.

Describe the ways enslaved African Americans maintained their culture and traditions.

Examine the living and working conditions experienced by enslaved workers in the South.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 12: The South Expands: Slavery and Society, 1800-1860

Essay Assignment



Unit Test

Describe how leaders in government attempted to meet challenges resulting from federalism, growing sectionalism, and the protection of foreign interests.

Describe the causes and effects of reform movements in the early 1800s.

Describe the regional economic, political, and social effects of new innovations in technology, agriculture, transportation, and commerce.

Explain the causes and effects of US expansion in the early 1800s.

Explain the impact and limitations of the expansion of mass democracy.

Period 5: 1844-1877

The Rising Tide of Sectionalism

Introduction to Unit 5

New Territories

Describe the role of diplomacy in the acquisition of new territories.

Examine the influence of Manifest Destiny on westward expansion.

Identify US territorial acquisitions prior to 1848.

Texas and the Union

Analyze the factors that led to the Texas Revolution.

Describe the reasons for the annexation of Texas by the United States.

Describe the settlement of Texas by American colonists.

Examine the establishment of the Republic of Texas.

The Mexican-American War

Describe the reasons for the Mexican-American War.

Explain the importance of the territories acquired by the US from Mexico as a result of the Mexican-American War.

Identify the significant events of the Mexican-American War and the effects of the conflict.

Temporary Compromise

Analyze the debate over slavery as it pertained to the acquisition of new territories west of the Mississippi.

Describe the significance of the Compromise of 1850 and the Fugitive Slave Act.

Explain the events surrounding the California Gold Rush, and analyze its effect on westward expansion.

The Kansas-Nebraska Act

Analyze the debate that surrounded the admission of Kansas and Nebraska as states to the Union.

Describe the reactions to the passage of the Kansas-Nebraska Act.

Examine the growth of active resistance in opposition to slavery.

Dred Scott and the Slavery Debate

Analyze the impact of the case on the Missouri Compromise and the future of slavery in the US.

Describe events and details surrounding the Dred Scott case.

Explain the reasons for the Supreme Court's ruling in the case.



Lincoln

Compare and contrast the viewpoints held by Lincoln and Douglas with regard to slavery and its expansion in the territories.

Describe the emergence of Abraham Lincoln as a leader of the Republican Party.

Examine the establishment of the Republican Party and outline its political views.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 13: Expansion, War, and Sectional Crisis, 1844-1860

The Civil War

The Civil War Begins

Analyze the significance of the Battle of Fort Sumter.

Contrast the ideas presented in the inaugural addresses of Abraham Lincoln and Jefferson Davis.

Describe the political climate surrounding the election of 1860 and the South's reaction to its outcome.

Explain the reasons for the creation of the Confederate States of America.

The Emancipation Proclamation

Analyze the reasons for and effects of the Emancipation Proclamation

Describe the battles that resulted in early success for the South.

Describe the contributions of African Americans during the Civil War.

The Civil War at Home

Compare the challenges facing both sides on the home front as the war went on.

Compare the strengths and weaknesses of the Union and the Confederacy as both sides mobilized for war.

Identify the role of women on the front lines and on the home front.

Turning Points

Examine why the Union victory at Gettysburg was a turning point in the war.

Explain the significance of the capture of Vicksburg and New Orleans.

Identify the reasons for the Union's success in the West.

End of the War

Analyze the impact of Grant's strategy of total war on the Confederacy's resources.

Describe the overall impact of the war on the United States.

Describe the reasons for Lee's surrender at Appomattox.

Explain the postwar problems facing the North and the South.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 14: Two Societies at War, 1861-1865



Reconstruction

Presidential and Radical Reconstruction

Compare and contrast the presidential and congressional plans for Reconstruction, and analyze their effects.

Describe the presidential plans for Reconstruction

Examine the response by Congress to presidential plans for Reconstruction.

Impact of Reconstruction

Analyze the reasons for the resurgence of Democratic Party leadership in the South.

Describe the disputed presidential election of 1876 and its effect on the end of Reconstruction.

Describe the progress made by African Americans during Reconstruction.

Failures of Reconstruction

Describe the growing violence against African Americans as a result of Reconstruction.

Examine the reasons for the development of sharecropping and tenant farming in the South during Reconstruction.

Investigate the origins of legal segregation, including the passage of Jim Crow laws.

Summarize the failures of Reconstruction.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 15: Reconstruction, 1865-1877

AP Skills: Writing the Document-Based Essay

Unit Test

Describe the causes and effects of US expansion in the period between 1844 and 1860.

Describe the reasons compromise on the issue of slavery ultimately failed.

Describe the successes and limitations of Reconstruction.

Explain how and why the Union army was able to defeat the Confederacy in the Civil War.

Explain the causes of growing sectionalism in the United States.

Period 6: 1865-1898

The West

Introduction to Unit 6

Homesteaders and the Transcontinental Railroad

Describe the challenges faced during construction of the transcontinental railroad.

Describe the passage of the Homestead Act and analyze its effects on the settlement of the west.

Explain at least three effects of railroad construction on the western United States.

American Indians on a Closing Frontier

Describe at least two changes to federal American Indian policies that occurred as a result of increased western settlement.

Explain how the expansion in the West and the construction of the railroad affected American Indian populations in the region.

Identify two battles fought between American Indians and the US Army and explain the results of those conflicts.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 16: Conquering a Continent, 1854-1890



Industrialization and its Effects

A New Revolution

Describe the reasons the US became more industrialized after the Civil War.

Explain the demographic changes that resulted from industrialization.

Identify the effects of the growth of America's railroads on business and settlement.

New American Industries

Explain how the expansion of rail networks led to the growth of other industries, such as steel, coal, and meatpacking.

Identify examples of advancements and inventions that increased the safety, reliability, and effectiveness of railroads.

Trusts and Big Business

Describe Rockefeller's horizontal integration practices.

Explain Carnegie's vertical integration practices.

Explain how monopolies and trusts reduced competition in the Gilded Age.

Technology and Society in the Industrial Age

Analyze how new inventions changed life during the Industrial Age.

Describe the advancements made in communications and transportation during the Industrial Age.

Describe the influence of Thomas Edison's inventions on culture and society.

A Worker's Life

Describe the excesses of the Gilded Age and the growing economic divide between the wealthy industrialists and the average American worker.

Explain the effect of industrialization with respect to women, children, and families.

Explain the principles of mass production.

Generalize the working conditions typically found in American factories during the Industrial Era.

Labor and Unrest

Describe the events of the 1894 Pullman Strike, and explain its effects on the labor movement.

Identify examples of company and government tactics that slowed unions' growth and stopped unions' effectiveness.

Identify goals of labor unions during the 1800s.

Socialism and Workers' Parties

Compare and contrast the beliefs of Marxism/Socialism and American democracy/capitalism.

Explain why Marxism/Socialism failed to win widespread support in the United States.

Identify Eugene Debs, including his beliefs and his role in American politics.

New Immigration

Compare and contrast the "new" immigrants of the 1880s with the "old" immigrants who had dominated migration prior to that time.

Describe the immigration experience, including the challenges immigrants faced after arrival.

Explain what push and pull factors are and how they affect migration.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 17: Industrial America: Corporations and Conflicts, 1877-1911



American Society at the Turn of the Century

Philanthropy and the Gospel of Wealth

Compare and contrast the competing views of the social gospel and social Darwinism.

Describe the influence of the social gospel and social Darwinism on reform movements.

Identify the influence of Carnegie's gospel of wealth on philanthropy in America.

Society in the Victorian Age

Describe the culture of the Victorian Age by explaining the roles of social class and women in society.

Explain how technology changed women's employment in the Industrial Era.

Explain the reasons for the rising power and influence of the middle class.

Identify significant cultural and leisure pursuits of the Victorian Age.

Civil Rights at the Turn of the Century

Analyze the impact of Jim Crow laws on African Americans.

Describe the decision made by the Supreme Court in Plessy v. Ferguson, and explain the ruling's impact on segregation in the South.

Identify Booker T. Washington and W. E. B. Du Bois, and compare and contrast their positions with regard to civil rights.

Women's Rights and Suffrage

Examine the methods used by suffragists to win voting rights for women.

Explain the goals of women progressives to improve women's position in society, including those of Margaret Sanger.

Explain the role of women reformers in the early 1800s.

Identify and describe influential people and events in the women's suffrage movement from the early 1800s to the passage of the 19th amendment.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 18: The Victorians Make the Modern, 1880-1917

Urbanization and Reform in the Industrial Era

The Immigrant Experience

Analyze the reasons for the rise of nativism in response to immigration.

Describe the cultural and economic challenges facing new immigrants.

Explain the relationship between immigrants and the cities in which they settled.

Identify the provisions of the Chinese Exclusion Act and the reasons for wide-spread resistance to Chinese immigration.

Urbanization in America

Describe the problems of poverty and overcrowding that were faced by cities in the industrial era.

Explain the differences in the standard of living between classes in urban societies, and the problems created by these differences.

Explain why urbanization occurred in the US during the industrial era.



Urban and Social Reforms

Analyze the reasons for the popularity of acculturation and Americanization programs.

Describe the roles of Jane Addams, Jacob Riis, and Lincoln Steffens during the reform movements of the late 1800s and early 1900s.

Explain the goals of the temperance movement and the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Explain the principles behind the social gospel movement.

Political Machines

Analyze the connection between the assassination of James Garfield and the rise of civil service reform.

Describe the spoils system.

Explain how political machines controlled government.

Reforming Government

Describe the new forms of city government introduced during the Progressive Era.

Describe the reforms proposed by Robert LaFollette.

Explain the development of initiatives, referendums, and recalls as methods to increase citizen involvement.

Identify the constitutional changes created by the 17th Amendment.

Early Progressivism

Describe the achievements of the progressive movement.

Explain the decisions made by the Supreme Court that assisted or limited progressive reform.

Explain the social and economic conditions that encouraged the growth of the progressive movement.

List and describe goals shared by progressives.

The Muckrakers

Define the term "muckraker," and explain the contributions of individual muckrakers to the progressive movement.

Describe Upton Sinclair's goals when writing *The Jungle*, and evaluate the novel's effect on the era of progressive reform.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 19: Civilization's Inferno: The Rise and Reform of Industrial Cities, 1880-1917

Essay Assignment

Unit Test

Describe the causes and effects of westward migration in the post-Civil War era.

Describe the social characteristics of the Victorian era.

Explain how urbanization and industrialization led to the growth of reform movements.

Explain the benefits and challenges of the second industrial revolution.

Explain the causes and effects of increased immigration to the United States during the industrial era.



Period 7: 1890-1945

Populism and Progressivism

Introduction to Unit 7

Farmers on a Closing Frontier

Describe the economic challenges facing America's farmers in the late 1800s.

Evaluate the effectiveness of the Farmers' Alliances in addressing farmers' issues and creating political change.

Explain how farmers used collectives, such as the Grange, to cut costs and advocate for change

The Populist Party

Describe reforms or changes desired by members of the Populist Party.

Describe the factors leading to the rise of Populism in the West, and explain the effects of the movement in America.

Identify William Jennings Bryan, and explain his impact on American politics.

Reforming Business

Describe the provisions of the Sherman Antitrust Act and the Interstate Commerce Act.

Explain why early efforts to regulate business in the United States were largely unsuccessful.

Roosevelt's Square Deal

Describe the effects of the Square Deal on labor, corporations, and consumers.

Explain how the Roosevelt administration increased efforts to conserve and protect the environment.

Explain the goals of Theodore Roosevelt's Square Deal.

Identify Theodore Roosevelt and describe his achievements.

Taft's Reforms

Analyze the factors that allowed Woodrow Wilson to win the election of 1912.

Describe the factors leading to the formation of the Progressive Party, and explain the party's goals.

Explain how progressive ideals split Republicans into separate factions.

Identify William Howard Taft, and describe the progressive and conservative policies he advocated as president.

Wilson's New Freedom

Describe steps taken by the federal government to reform its monetary policies in the Progressive Era.

Explain the impact of WWI on the progressive movement, and evaluate the successes and limits of progressive reform.

Explain the provisions of Wilson's New Freedom, and identify his positions on banks, trusts, and tariffs.

Identify and describe progressive reforms supported by Wilson during his presidency.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 20: Whose Government? Politics, Populists, and Progressives, 1880-1917



America Becomes a World Power

Expanding Borders

Describe two challenges facing the United States with regard to the construction of the Panama Canal.

Evaluate the goals of Roosevelt's "Big Stick" foreign policy.

Explain the arguments for and against American imperialism.

The Spanish-American War

Explain how the Spanish-American War increased American influence around the world.

Explain the principles of "yellow journalism," and evaluate its impact on US entry into the war.

List and describe at least two factors which led to the US decision to declare war on Spain.

Locate territories won by the United States following the Treaty of Paris (1898) on a world map.

Neutrality and the War in Europe

Analyze the reasons for American isolationism and neutrality at the beginning of the war.

Explain the long-term reasons for the alliances that formed in Europe prior to World War I.

Identify the short-term crises that led to World War I.

America in the Great War

Describe how technology influenced warfare and resulted in a stalemate on the war's fronts.

Explain the war's impact on the home front, civil rights, and minorities.

Identify and describe at least two factors that led to the United States' entry into World War I.

Wilson and the War

Analyze the reasons why the US Senate rejected the Treaty of Versailles and proposals to join the League of Nations.

Describe how Wilson's idealism embodied his Fourteen Points.

Describe the provisions of the Treaty of Versailles.

Identify the conflicting points of view that influenced the peace process.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 21: An Emerging World Power, 1890-1918

Prosperity to Depression

Freedom of Speech and the War

Describe the effects of the Palmer Raids.

Evaluate the reasons for the development of anti-immigrant, anti-socialist, and anti-anarchist sentiments after World War I.

Explain how the Espionage and Sedition Acts were used to censor free speech and to detain American citizens.

Prohibition

Describe the effects of the Scopes Trial on American culture and education.

Explain the reasons for the passage of the Eighteenth Amendment and the Volstead Act.

Identify the effects of Prohibition on American society.



Society in the 1920s

Analyze the changing role of women in American society.

Describe the growing importance of mass media and the entertainment industry, and identify examples of prominent actors, athletes, or musicians of the era.

Explain how the works of prominent authors of the 1920s reflected changing American culture.

Explain the influence of Jazz Age culture.

The Great Migration

Analyze the contributions of African American authors to the Harlem Renaissance.

Explain the importance of the Harlem Renaissance to American music.

Identify the causes of the Great Migration and its effects on Northern cities.

A Roaring Economy

Analyze the importance of consumerism in the economic growth of the 1920s.

Describe the impact of the Teapot Dome Scandal on the Harding presidency and on American opinion.

Explain the effects of new economic policies during the Harding and Coolidge presidencies.

Explain the effects of the extension of credit and debt on the growth of the economy.

Boom and Bust

Examine the effects of speculation and the extension of credit on the American economy.

Identify the economic factors that contributed to the stock market crash of 1929.

Understand the problem of overproduction and its role in slowing American economic growth.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 22: Cultural Conflict, Bubble, and Bust, 1919-1932

The Great Depression

American Life in the Great Depression

Describe at least three effects of the Great Depression on American society.

Examine President Hoover's response to the Great Depression.

Identify at least two causes of the Dust Bowl and explain why it led to widespread migration.

Roosevelt's Hundred Days

Analyze the changing role of government caused by Roosevelt's New Deal reforms.

Describe the legislation and programs instituted by President Roosevelt during his first Hundred Days in office.

Examine the candidacy of Franklin Roosevelt and describe the contents of his campaign platform.

The Second New Deal

Describe the reasons for the creation and passage of the Social Security Act.

Examine the accomplishments of the WPA in promoting art and building public infrastructure.

Identify the role of New Deal legislation in reforming American labor practices.



Opposition to the New Deal

Analyze the effects of the Supreme Court's decision to declare several New Deal programs unconstitutional.

Explain the reasons for conservative leaders' opposition to the New Deal.

Identify proposals made by liberal leaders that built on and expanded the New Deal.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 23: Managing the Great Depression, Forging the New Deal, 1929-1939

America and the Second World War

Fascism and Aggression

Analyze the reaction in Europe and the US toward Hitler's actions.

Describe acts of aggression committed by Germany and Japan during the 1930s.

Describe individual liberties under fascism, and explain the differences between democratic and totalitarian forms of government.

Explain the challenges facing Germany following World War I, and evaluate the effects of Hitler's rise to power.

America's Entry into the War

Analyze how the US moved from isolationism to active involvement as the war progressed.

Describe the events surrounding the bombing of Pearl Harbor and Americans' reactions to the attack.

Trace the early course of the war from the invasion of Poland through the end of 1941.

America and the War at Home

Describe how war production helped end the Great Depression.

Explain how American war production gave the Allies an advantage over the Axis Powers.

Explain how the US government, private industries, and the American public worked together to arm and equip American and Allied forces.

Identify new technologies or advancements that were introduced as a result of the war.

Internment and the Constitution

Describe the provisions of Korematsu v. US and explain why the Supreme Court upheld the legality of Japanese internment.

Explain the effects of Executive Order 9066 and internment on Japanese Americans and other minority groups during the war.

Identify the achievements of all-minority military units, including the Tuskegee Airmen, the Navajo Code Talkers, and Nisei regiments.

The War in Europe

Analyze the challenges of fighting a two-front war, and explain why the Allies decided to pursue a "Europe-first" strategy.

Describe the turning points in the European theater, including Stalingrad, the Normandy Invasion, and the Battle of the Bulge.

Identify the members of the Axis Powers and the Allied forces.

Turning Points in the Pacific

Describe Japanese resistance to American attacks as the war progressed and how this affected the American decision to use the atomic bomb.

Describe the Allied "island-hopping" strategy in the Pacific, and identify significant battle locations.

Evaluate why the Battle of Midway was a turning point in the Pacific.

Explain the contributions of Americans in the Pacific theater, including those of Douglas MacArthur and Chester Nimitz.



War Crimes and the Holocaust

Analyze the global community's response to the Holocaust.

Describe the effects of the Holocaust, and identify the diverse groups of people targeted by Nazi Germany.

Trace the development of Nazi anti-Semitic policies.

End of the War in the Pacific

Describe the major events of the Manhattan Project and explain how it led to the development of the first nuclear weapon.

Evaluate the Truman administration's decision to drop atomic weapons in Japan by describing arguments for and against the decision.

Explain postwar measures instituted in Japan following the end of the war.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 24: The World at War, 1937-1945

Essay Assignment

Unit Test

Describe the causes and consequences of the United States' emergence as a world power.

Describe the causes and effects of the Progressive movement.

Describe the economic and social characteristics of the United States from the Progressive Era through the 1920s.

Describe the political, economic, and social effects of US participation in global conflicts.

Describe the provisions and effects of the New Deal.

Explain the causes and effects of the Great Depression in the United States.

Period 8: 1945-1980 The Cold War

Introduction to Unit 8

End of the War in Europe

ecall and describe decisions reached by the Allies at the Yalta and Potsdam conferences, and explain challenges to those decisions.

Explain the effects of World War II, such as the consequences of warfare, the establishment of the United Nations, and the creation of new political states.

Given a postwar map of Europe, label significant changes that occurred.

Trace the events leading to the end of the war in Europe.

The Cold War

Describe the origins of the United Nations.

Explain how decisions made at the end of the war, and the post-war goals of the United States and USSR, contributed to the Cold War.

Identify and describe actions taken by the United States to contain communism in Europe.

The Korean War

Analyze the effects of the Korean War on the geography and politics of East Asia.

Describe the course of the Korean War and the reasons for the war's outcome.

Explain how the expansion of communism in Asia led to the Korean War.



McCarthyism

Analyze the impact of McCarthyism on American society.

Describe how Cold War fears led to increased suspicion of communist infiltration and spying in American society, and explain how these fears impacted views on civil liberties.

Explain how the House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC) impacted the American entertainment industry.

Identify actions taken by the Truman administration to combat disloyalty in the federal government.

Brinkmanship in the Cold War

Describe how the policy of containment led to increased American involvement in Vietnam.

Identify and describe at least two effects of the arms race between the United States and the USSR.

Identify and explain at least two effects of the Sputnik launch in the United States.

Kennedy and the Cold War

Describe Kennedy's domestic policy with respect to education, civil rights, social issues, the economy, and the environment.

Examine the effects of Kennedy's commitment to space programs during the space race.

Explain how the Cold War influenced Kennedy's foreign policy.

Identify the impact of Kennedy's assassination on the nation.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 25: Cold War America, 1945-1963

Post-War America

The Baby Boom

Analyze the societal changes that occurred during the 1950s, including the influence of new technologies.

Describe the connections between car culture, new migration, and the growth of suburbs in American cities.

Explain how a growing postwar economy led to a "baby boom."

Reading Lesson, Chapter 26: Triumph of the Middle Class, 1945-1963

Marching for Civil Rights

The Civil Rights Movement Begins

Describe the provisions of Brown v. Board of Education and its immediate effect on schools.

Discuss the role of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the NAACP, in pursuing legal strategies to end segregation.

Explain the factors that led to the Brown v. Board of Education decision.

Explain the impact of the desegregation of baseball on American society.

Organizing to Demand Rights

Analyze how civil rights advocacy groups used nonviolent resistance techniques to achieve their goals.

Examine the importance of the Montgomery Bus Boycott in creating support for nonviolent resistance.

Identify the role of the Nation of Islam and Malcolm X in the civil rights movement.



Nonviolent Protest

Describe the impact of the violent resistance faced by protestors in Birmingham.

Examine the resistance to federal desegregation and integration of universities in the South.

Explain the challenges faced by voter registration campaigns in the southern United States.

Civil Rights and Voting Rights

Analyze the effects of the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

Describe the importance of the Selma voting rights marches.

Examine the impact of the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

Examine the role of the March on Washington in promoting and securing civil rights for African Americans.

Other Perspectives on Civil Rights

Analyze the impact of violent race riots on US society.

Describe the emergence of Cesar Chavez as a leader for farmworkers' rights and the Chicano movement.

Explain the shift in focus within the civil rights movement in the late 1960s.

Summarize the efforts made by other minority groups to achieve civil rights.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 27: Walking into Freedom Land: The Civil Rights Movement, 1941-1973

Conflict and Crisis

Johnson's Great Society

Describe the steps taken by Johnson to help the country transition after the Kennedy assassination.

Evaluate the successes and controversies created by Great Society programs.

Identify the main components of Johnson's Great Society plan for America.

The Warren Court

Analyze the impact of the Warren Court's decisions on First Amendment rights.

Describe the positions taken by the Warren Court in regard to the right to privacy.

Explain how the Warren Court clarified the rights of the accused.

Identify the role of the Supreme Court in American law.

Women's Rights Movement

Analyze the impact of Roe v. Wade on American society.

Describe the reasons for a growing women's rights movement in the 1960s and 1970s.

Examine the history and impact of the National Organization for Women.

The Vietnam War

Analyze the challenges facing American soldiers fighting the war in Vietnam.

Describe the impact of the counterculture and the division in American society over support for the war.

Examine the reasons for increased US military involvement in Vietnam.



End of the War in Vietnam

Analyze the decision to pull US troops out of Vietnam.

Examine the idea that 1968 was a turning point in American history.

Summarize the effects of the Vietnam War on American society.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 28: Uncivil Wars: Liberal Crisis and Conservative Rebirth, 1961-1972

The 1970s

Nixon and Watergate

Analyze the constitutional issues that arose from the Watergate scandal.

Describe the presidency of Gerald Ford.

Evaluate Nixon's foreign and domestic policies.

The Carter Presidency

Analyze the causes of, and Carter's response to, the economic crisis of the late 1970s.

Analyze the foreign policy of the Carter administration.

Explain the causes and effects of the Iran Hostage Crisis.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 29: The Search for Order in an Era of Limits, 1973-1980

Essay Assignment

Unit Test

Describe how leaders attempted to address the economic, political, and environmental challenges of the 1970s.

Describe the causes and effects of the Cold War.

Describe the economic and social characteristics of the 1950s.

Describe the successes and limitations of the civil rights movement.

Explain how the challenges of the 1960s led to demands for change, which divided the nation.

Period 9: 1980-Present

The Reagan Revolution

Introduction to Unit 9

The Reagan Revolution

Describe the political climate surrounding the election of 1980.

Examine Reagan's anti-communist foreign policy and the role of the United States in foreign affairs.

Examine Reagan's economic policy and its effect on the US economy.

The End of the Cold War

Describe the significance of the fall of the Berlin Wall.

Examine the role of the Bush administration and Gorbachev's reforms in the collapse of the Soviet Union.

Explain the ongoing role of communism in China and Cuba.



Bush and Clinton

Analyze the effects of economic issues, including taxes and the savings and loan scandal, on Bush's presidency.

Assess Bill Clinton's foreign policy as it relates to Africa, the Caribbean, the Middle East, Eastern Europe, and Latin America.

Examine Bush's foreign policy with respect to Latin America and the Middle East.

Identify significant economic issues and policies during the Clinton administration.

Partisan Conflict in Government

Analyze the impact of the debates over domestic policies on the relationship between President Clinton and Congress.

Describe the reasons for Clinton's impeachment and the failure of his impeachment charges.

Identify the importance of the 1994 midterm election on the Clinton presidency.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 30: Conservative America in the Ascent, 1980-1991

Modern Challenges

America in the Bush Years

Describe the Bush administration's response to domestic crises, such as Hurricane Katrina and the recession of 2008.

Evaluate the impact of the Bush administration's domestic policy with respect to education, the economy, and immigration.

Summarize the events and the controversy surrounding the 2000 presidential election.

9/11/2001

Analyze the effects of the attacks on American society and the economy.

Describe the impact of 9/11 on American government and policy.

Summarize the events of 9/11.

Military Intervention in the Middle East

Analyze the effects of the United States' decision to go to war with Iraq.

Describe US involvement in Afghanistan and the expansion of the War on Terror.

The Obama Presidency

Analyze the foreign policy challenges of the Obama presidency.

Discuss the historical significance of the 2008 presidential election.

Examine the domestic policies of the Obama administration, and explain the effects of the recession on his presidency.

Immigration and Demographic Change

Analyze the effects of continuing immigration to the United States from the 1960s to today.

Analyze the effects of demographic change on American society.

Describe major migration trends within the United States.

Identify the effects of the aging baby boom generation.



America and the Global Economy

Analyze the relationship between the United States economy and the global economy through a study of the financial crisis of 2008.

Describe the key features of the global economy.

Identify the major global economic institutions that influence trade and monitor the world economy.

Technology and its Effects on Modern America

Describe the influence of the development of computers and the Internet on the United States.

Explain how new technology has affected various sectors of the American economy and the American way of life.

Reading Lesson, Chapter 31: Confronting Global and National Dilemmas, 1989 to the Present

Mini-Lesson: Research Project

Unit Test

Describe demographic changes that have occurred in the United States since 1960 and their effects on American society.

Describe the economic and social effects of technological innovation and globalization.

Describe the reasons the Cold War came to an end, and its effect on US foreign policy.

Explain the causes and effects of the conservative revolution of the 1980s.

Explain the effects of the growth of terrorism on US foreign and domestic policy.

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AP Practice Exams

AP Practice Exam I

Compare and contrast the regional development of British colonies with regard to their economic development and political structure.

Compare and contrast the regional development of British colonies with regard to their social characteristics and settlement patterns.

Describe factors that united the colonies against British rule in the years leading up to the American Revolution.

Describe how leaders in government attempted to meet challenges resulting from federalism, growing sectionalism, and protecting foreign interests.

Describe the causes and effects of the Progressive Movement.

Describe the causes and effects of US expansion in the period between 1844 and 1860.

Describe the causes and effects of westward migration in the post-Civil War era.

Describe the challenges faced by Washington and his administration in the new nation.

Describe the economic and social characteristics of the 1950s.

Describe the political, economic, and social effects of US participation in global conflicts.

Describe the provisions and effects of the New Deal.

Describe the regional economic, political, and social effects of new innovations in technology, agriculture, transportation, and commerce.

Describe the successes and limitations of Reconstruction.

Explain how the challenges of the 1960s led to demands for change, which divided the nation.

Explain how the exchange of ideas, goods, diseases, and people affected American, African, and European societies.

Explain how urbanization and industrialization led to the growth of reform movements.

Explain the benefits and challenges of the second industrial revolution.

Explain the causes and effects of the Conservative Revolution of the 1980s.

Explain the causes and effects of the Great Depression in the United States.

Explain the causes and effects of US expansion in the early 1800s.

Explain the causes of growing sectionalism in the United States.



AP Practice Exam II

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Describe the causes and effects of reform movements in the early 1800s.

Describe the causes and effects of the Cold War.

Describe the causes and effects of the French and Indian War.

Describe the challenges faced by Washington and his administration in the new nation.

Describe the effects of European colonization on American Indian societies.

Describe the factors that influenced the development of American government systems in the early republic.

Describe the political, economic, and social effects of US participation in global conflicts.

Describe the provisions and effects of the New Deal.

Describe the reasons compromise on the issue of slavery ultimately failed.

Describe the regional economic, political, and social effects of new innovations in technology, agriculture, transportation, and commerce.

Describe the social characteristics of the Victorian era.

Describe the successes and limitations of Reconstruction.

Describe the successes and limitations of the civil rights movement.

Explain how the exchange of ideas, goods, diseases, and people affected American, African, and European societies.

Explain the causes and effects of increased immigration to the United States during the Industrial Era.

Explain the causes and effects of the Great Depression in the United States.

Explain the causes of growing sectionalism in the United States.

Explain the effects of the growth of terrorism on US foreign and domestic policy.

Explain the impact and limitations of the expansion of mass democracy.