

Grade 4 Social Studies

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Aug. - Sept.	<p>The United States Why do people divide places into regions?</p> <p>The Northeast How did the early settlements in the Northeast grow into some of the largest cities in the United States today?</p>	<p>The United States -Kinds of regions -How regions are connected -Political regions -Services provided by the three levels of government -Political regions in North America -Physical features of the political regions of North America</p> <p>The Northeast -Geography -Climate -Natural resources -Early people -American Revolution -Transportation -Immigration -Industrial Revolution -How the past shaped the present -How natural resources are used -Major cities -City life -Maps -Candidate -Campaign -Ballot -Volunteer -Skyscraper -Commute -Urban sprawl -Pollution</p>	<p>The United States -Explain why people divide places into regions -Define the political regions in the United States -Identify what other regions the United States shares with North America</p> <p>The Northeast -Describe how the geography and the climate of the Northeast affects its economy -Identify what important role the Northeast had in the early history of the United States -Determine what changes helped the Northeast grow -Explain what features of life in New England today came from the region's past -Define how cities affect life in the Middle Atlantic states -Explain how New England's history shaped life there today -Explain how people in the Northeast use natural</p>	<p>The United States Houghton-Mifflin <i>States and Regions</i> (2012) -Homework and Practice Book: lesson reviews -Textbook: vocabulary</p> <p>The Northeast Houghton-Mifflin <i>States and Regions</i> (2012) -Homework and Practice Book: lesson reviews -Textbook: vocabulary</p>	<p>The United States Houghton-Mifflin <i>States and Regions</i> (2012) -Textbook -Leveled Readers -Homework and Practice Book: lesson reviews</p> <p>The Northeast Houghton-Mifflin <i>States and Regions</i> (2012) -Textbook -Leveled Readers -Homework and Practice Book: lesson reviews</p>	<p>The United States -ELMO -BrainPop videos -United Streaming -iPad apps -Houghton-Mifflin <i>States and Regions</i> (2012) online textbook</p> <p>The Northeast -ELMO -BrainPop videos -United Streaming -iPad apps -Houghton-Mifflin <i>States and Regions</i> (2012) online textbook</p>

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			resources -Identify the major cities in the Middle Atlantic states -Describe benefits and challenges of city life			
Oct.	The Southeast How did the Southeast experience changes that gave it one of the fastest growing populations of any region in the United States today?	The Southeast -Peninsula -Wetland -Piedmont -Fall line -Growing season -Hurricane -Fertilizer -Plantation -Slavery -Cash crop -Abolish -Union -Secede -Confederacy -Civil war -Raw material -International Trade -Import -Export	The Southeast -Describe the major physical features of the Southeast -Explain how people in the region use natural resources -Identify the important events that took place in the Southeast during its early history -Explain how the geography of the Southeast affected settlement and early life in the region -Analyze the causes and effects of the Civil War -Explain how ports are important to the Southeast's economy -Explain regional and global interdependence and trade -Analyze the economic effects of advances in transportation	The Southeast Houghton-Mifflin <i>States and Regions</i> (2012) -Homework and Practice Book: lesson reviews -Textbook: vocabulary	The Southeast Houghton-Mifflin <i>States and Regions</i> (2012) -Textbook -Leveled Readers -Homework and Practice Book: lesson reviews	The Southeast -ELMO -BrainPop videos -United Streaming -iPad apps -Houghton-Mifflin <i>States and Regions</i> (2012) online textbook
Nov.	The Southeast How did the Southeast experience changes that gave it one of the fastest growing populations of	The Southeast -State legislature -Governor -Food processing -Pulp	The Southeast -Identify some important industries in the Atlantic Coast states -Explain economic	The Southeast Houghton-Mifflin <i>States and Regions</i> (2012) -Homework and Practice Book: lesson reviews	The Southeast Houghton-Mifflin <i>States and Regions</i> (2012) -Textbook -Leveled Readers	The Southeast -ELMO -BrainPop videos -United Streaming -iPad apps

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	any region in the United States today?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -High tech -Sun Belt -Tourism -Resort -Barrier island -Mainland -Wildlife refuge -Reclaim -Habitat -Endangered -Extinct 	specialization in the Atlantic Coast states -Describe the three branches of state government -Describe how the coasts affect life in the Gulf Coast states -Explain the cultural diversity of the Gulf Coast states -Explain why tourism, fishing, and farming are major industries in the region -Describe how mountains affect the culture and economy in the Inland South states -Explain ways that people can damage but also protect the environment -Describe what is special about the Inland South states	-Textbook: vocabulary	-Homework and Practice Book: lesson reviews	-Houghton-Mifflin <i>States and Regions</i> (2012) online textbook
	<p>The Midwest How do the geography and climate of the Midwest affect the ways people use the land?</p> <p>How do the ethnic groups, cultures, and economy of the Midwest affect life there?</p>	<p>The Midwest -Interior Plains -Great Lakes -Central Plains -Great Plains -Corn Belt -Black Hills -Northwest Territory -Transportation -Flatboat -Migration</p>	<p>The Midwest -Describe the geography and climate of the Midwest -Explain how people in the Midwest use the land -Describe Native Americans of the Midwest ways of life -Describe the exploration and settlement</p>	<p>The Midwest Houghton-Mifflin <i>States and Regions</i> (2012) -Homework and Practice Book: lesson reviews -Textbook: vocabulary</p>	<p>The Midwest Houghton-Mifflin <i>States and Regions</i> (2012) -Textbook -Leveled Readers -Homework and Practice Book: lesson reviews</p>	<p>The Midwest -ELMO -BrainPop videos -United Streaming -iPad apps -Houghton-Mifflin <i>States and Regions</i> (2012) online textbook</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Steamboat -Entrepreneur -Stockyard -Assembly line -Mass production -Industrial economy -Architecture -Hub -Barge -Freight -Urbanization -Meatpacking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Describe changes in transportation in the 1800s and early 1900s -Explain how improved transportation helped the Midwest grow -Identify the ethnic groups and cultures of the Great Lakes States -Describe the economy of the Great Lakes States -Describe the cities and farms of the Plains States -Explain how the region's urban and rural areas are linked 			
Dec.	<p>The Southwest How have people learned to use both the abundant and limited resources of the Southwest to develop the region?</p>	<p>The Southwest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Mesa -Butte -Rain shadow -Cloudburst -Arroyo -Aquifer -Reservoir -Aqueduct -Irrigation -Pueblo -Adobe -Nomad -Mission -Land grant -Arid -Migrant worker -Commercial -Conflict -Compromise -Cooperate 	<p>The Southwest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Describe physical features of the Southwest -Explain how people in the region use resources -Analyze the historical basis of Southwest culture -Understand how and when the Southwest region became part of the United States -Describe how and why the ranching, farming, and oil industries grew in the Southwest -Explain how people cooperate to share and protect natural resources 	<p>The Southwest Houghton-Mifflin <i>States and Regions</i> (2012) -Homework and Practice Book: lesson reviews -Textbook: vocabulary</p>	<p>The Southwest Houghton-Mifflin <i>States and Regions</i> (2012) -Textbook -Leveled Readers -Homework and Practice Book: lesson reviews</p>	<p>The Southwest -ELMO -BrainPop videos -United Streaming -iPad apps -Houghton-Mifflin <i>States and Regions</i> (2012) online textbook</p>