

# 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies Curriculum

Month	Chapter	Major Events	Economics	Geography	Social	Political	People
August	15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Differences between the North and the South</li> <li>▪ Compromise of 1850</li> <li>▪ Dred Scott Case</li> <li>▪ The country breaks apart (secession)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Industrial North vs. rural South</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Kansas-Nebraska Act</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Anti-slavery and racism</li> <li>▪ Uncle Tom's Cabin</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Wilmot Proviso</li> <li>▪ Fugitive Slave Act</li> <li>▪ Popular Sovereignty</li> <li>▪ Republican Party</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Stephen Douglas</li> <li>▪ Herriot Beecher Stowe</li> <li>▪ John Brown</li> <li>▪ Abraham Lincoln</li> <li>▪ Jefferson Davis</li> </ul>
August	16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Fort Sumter</li> <li>▪ First Battle of Bull Run</li> <li>▪ Military advances on battlefield</li> <li>▪</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ King Cotton</li> <li>▪ Union Blockade</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Border States</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Life in the Army</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Lincoln changes Generals</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Robert E. Lee</li> <li>▪ Ulysses S. Grant</li> </ul>
September	17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Emancipation Proclamation</li> <li>▪ Battle of Gettysburg</li> <li>▪ Lee surrenders at Appomattox Courthouse</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Income Tax</li> <li>▪ Greenbacks</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 54th Massachusetts</li> <li>▪ Civil War prison camps</li> <li>▪ War casualties</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Copperheads</li> <li>▪ Thirteenth Amendment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Frederick Douglas</li> <li>▪ Clara Barton</li> <li>▪ William Tecumseh Sherman</li> <li>▪ John Wilkes Booth</li> <li>▪ Walt Whitman</li> </ul>
September	18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Reconstruction</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Sharecropping</li> <li>▪ Panic of 1873</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Freedman's Bureau</li> <li>▪ Black Codes</li> <li>▪ Freedmen's Schools</li> <li>▪ KKK</li> <li>▪ Lynchings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Civil Rights Act</li> <li>▪ 14th Amend.</li> <li>▪ 15th Amend.</li> <li>▪ Comp. of 1877</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Andrew Johnson</li> <li>▪ Radical Republicans</li> </ul>
September	19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Expanding West</li> <li>▪ Long Drives</li> <li>▪ Sand Creek Massacre</li> <li>▪ Little Bighorn</li> <li>▪ Wounded Knee</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Mining</li> <li>▪ Transcontinental Railroad</li> <li>▪ Gold v. Silver</li> <li>▪ Growth of Western Cities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Boom Towns</li> <li>▪ Ghost Towns</li> <li>▪ Great Plains</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Frontier Life</li> <li>▪ Clash of cultures</li> <li>▪ Wild West Shows</li> <li>▪ Post Civil War African-American Life</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Dawes Act</li> <li>▪ Homestead Act</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Sitting Bull</li> <li>▪ Custer</li> <li>▪ Geronimo</li> <li>▪ Chief Joseph</li> <li>▪ Buffalo Bill</li> <li>▪ Legends of Old West</li> <li>▪ Buffalo Soldiers</li> <li>▪ William Jennings Bryan</li> </ul>
October	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Industrial Revolution</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Business Cycle</li> <li>▪ Bessemer Steel Process</li> <li>▪ New Inventions</li> <li>▪ Rail Industry</li> <li>▪ Linking of East and West</li> <li>▪ Growth of Corporations (Trusts)</li> <li>▪ Sweatshops</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The Western States</li> <li>▪ Transcontinental Railroad</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Discrimination of Chinese</li> <li>▪ Gilded Age</li> <li>▪ Agricultural South</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ End of Native American culture</li> <li>▪ Rise of Labor Unions and strikes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Thomas Edison</li> <li>▪ A.G. Bell</li> <li>▪ J.D. Rockefeller</li> <li>▪ Andrew Carnegie</li> <li>▪ Eugene V. Debs</li> <li>▪ Samuel Gompers</li> </ul>

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October	21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Growth of Cities</li> <li>▪ Immigration</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Immigrants/jobs</li> <li>▪ Department Stores</li> <li>▪ Mail-order Catalogs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ellis Island</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Urbanization</li> <li>▪ Tenements</li> <li>▪ Social Gospel</li> <li>▪ Melting Pot</li> <li>▪ Assimilation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Political Machines</li> <li>▪ Chinese Exclusion Act</li> <li>▪ Segregation</li> <li>▪ Discrimination</li> <li>▪ <i>Plessy v. Ferguson</i></li> <li>▪ Changing leisure time activities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Boss Tweed</li> <li>▪ Booker T. Washington</li> <li>▪ W.E.B. Du Bois</li> <li>▪ Ida Wells</li> <li>▪ Joseph Pulitzer</li> </ul>
October/ November	22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Rise of Progressivism</li> <li>▪ Trust busting</li> <li>▪ Women's Suffrage</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Breaking up Monopolies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Conservation Movement</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ "Square Deal"</li> <li>▪ Muckrakers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Sherman Antitrust Act</li> <li>▪ Pure Food and Drug Act</li> <li>▪ Meat Inspection Act</li> <li>▪ 16<sup>th</sup> Amendment</li> <li>▪ 17<sup>th</sup> Amendment</li> <li>▪ Clayton Antitrust Act</li> <li>▪ Federal Reserve Act</li> <li>▪ 18<sup>th</sup> Amendment</li> <li>▪ 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Theodore Roosevelt</li> <li>▪ W.H. Taft</li> <li>▪ Woodrow Wilson</li> <li>▪ Jane Addams</li> <li>▪ Lillian Wald</li> <li>▪ Susan B. Anthony</li> <li>▪ Carrie C. Catt</li> </ul>
November	23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Purchase of Alaska</li> <li>▪ Annexation of Hawaii</li> <li>▪ Spanish-American War</li> <li>▪ U.S. Involvement Overseas</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Panama Canal</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Philippines</li> <li>▪ Caribbean</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Yellow Journalism</li> <li>▪ Anti-Imperialist League</li> <li>▪ Boxer Rebellion</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Explosion of <i>U.S.S. Maine</i></li> <li>▪ Platt Amendment</li> <li>▪ Open Door Policy</li> <li>▪ Roosevelt Corollary</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ William Seward</li> <li>▪ Queen Liliuokalani</li> <li>▪ William McKinley</li> <li>▪ Rough Riders</li> </ul>
December	24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ World War I</li> <li>▪ Sinking of the <i>Lusitania</i></li> <li>▪ Russian Revolution</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Convoy System</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Allies</li> <li>▪ Central Powers</li> <li>▪ Western Front</li> <li>▪ Europe</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Home Front</li> <li>▪ Neutrality</li> <li>▪ War Bonds</li> <li>▪ The Great Migration</li> <li>▪ Propaganda</li> <li>▪ Red Scare</li> <li>▪ Palmer Raids</li> <li>▪ Flu Epidemic</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Alliances</li> <li>▪ Zimmerman Telegram</li> <li>▪ Armistice</li> <li>▪ Espionage Act</li> <li>▪ Sedition Act</li> <li>▪ Fourteen Points</li> <li>▪ Treaty of Versailles</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Woodrow Wilson</li> <li>▪ John J. Pershing</li> <li>▪ Alvin York</li> </ul>
January	25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Roaring Twenties</li> <li>▪ Prohibition</li> <li>▪ Jazz Age</li> <li>▪ Harlem Renaissance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Laissez Faire</li> <li>▪ Assembly Line</li> <li>▪ Installment Buying</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Transatlantic Flights</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Changing roles of youth and women</li> <li>▪ Flappers</li> <li>▪ Fundamentalism</li> <li>▪ KKK</li> <li>▪ Radio</li> <li>▪ Movies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Teapot Dome</li> <li>▪ Isolationist</li> <li>▪ Kellogg-Briand Pact</li> <li>▪ NAACP</li> <li>▪ Negro Baseball League</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Warren G. Harding</li> <li>▪ Calvin Coolidge</li> <li>▪ Charles Lindbergh</li> <li>▪ Al Capone</li> <li>▪ Marcus Garvey</li> <li>▪ Babe Ruth</li> <li>▪ Lost Generation</li> </ul>

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January/ February	26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ “Black Tuesday”</li> <li>▪ Great Depression</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Stock Market Crash</li> <li>▪ Speculation</li> <li>▪ Buying on Margin</li> <li>▪ Bank Closings</li> <li>▪ Deficit Spending</li> <li>▪ Unemployment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Dust Bowl</li> <li>▪ Route 66</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Fireside Chats</li> <li>▪ Bread Lines</li> <li>▪ Liberal v. Conservative</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ New Deal</li> <li>▪ Hundred Days</li> <li>▪ Social Security Act</li> <li>▪ Second New Deal</li> <li>▪ FDR v. Supreme Court</li> <li>▪ Unions Gain Strength</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Herbert Hoover</li> <li>▪ Bonus Army</li> <li>▪ FDR</li> <li>▪ Eleanor Roosevelt</li> </ul>
February	27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Rise of Dictators</li> <li>▪ Dictators Expand Territory</li> <li>▪ Pearl Harbor</li> <li>▪ Battle for Africa</li> <li>▪ D-Day</li> <li>▪ Battle of the Bulge</li> <li>▪ Holocaust</li> <li>▪ Battle of Midway</li> <li>▪ Atomic Warfare</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Wartime Production</li> <li>▪ Women in work force</li> <li>▪ Lend-Lease Act</li> <li>▪ Marshall Plan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Division of Europe</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Women's roles-"Rosie the Riveter"</li> <li>▪ Segregated armed forces</li> <li>▪ Japanese Internment</li> <li>▪ Minorities roles</li> <li>▪ G.I. Bill of Rights</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Appeasement</li> <li>▪ Why Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor</li> <li>▪ Manhattan Project</li> <li>▪ Yalta Conference</li> <li>▪ Nuremberg Trials</li> <li>▪ Fascism</li> <li>▪ Communism</li> <li>▪ Socialism</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Hitler, Mussolini, Stalin</li> <li>▪ Hirohito</li> <li>▪ A. Phillip Randolph</li> <li>▪ D.W. Eisenhower</li> </ul>
March	28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Cold War</li> <li>▪ Chinese Civil War</li> <li>▪ Berlin Airlift</li> <li>▪ Korean War</li> <li>▪ Brinkmanship</li> <li>▪ Arms Race</li> <li>▪ Growth of suburbs</li> <li>▪ Space Race</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Soldiers return to work-women's role</li> <li>▪ Labor unrest</li> <li>▪ Economic growth</li> <li>▪ Marshall Plan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Europe after war</li> <li>▪ Divided Korea</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Changing roles of women</li> <li>▪ Baby Boom</li> <li>▪ Civil Rights</li> <li>▪ Fear of Communism-McCarthyism</li> <li>▪ Rock and Roll Begins</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The Fair Deal</li> <li>▪ Truman Doctrine</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Harry S. Truman</li> <li>▪ Eugene McCarthy</li> <li>▪ Elvis Presley</li> </ul>
April	29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Montgomery Bus Boycott</li> <li>▪ Civil Rights Movement</li> <li>▪ Brown v. Board</li> <li>▪ Women's Movement</li> <li>▪ Assassinations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Medical Care Act of 1965</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Changing Cities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Sit-ins</li> <li>▪ NAACP</li> <li>▪ March on Washington</li> <li>▪ Protests</li> <li>▪ Human Rights Movement</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The Great Society</li> <li>▪ Civil Rights Act of 1964</li> <li>▪ Voting Rights Act</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ JFK</li> <li>▪ Lyndon Johnson</li> <li>▪ Martin Luther King</li> <li>▪ Thurgood Marshall</li> <li>▪ Rosa Parks</li> <li>▪ Malcolm X</li> </ul>
April	30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Vietnam War</li> <li>▪ Cuban Missile Crisis</li> <li>▪ Kent State Shooting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ U.S. aid to Vietnam</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Divided Vietnam</li> <li>▪ Ho Chi Minh Trail</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ War Protests</li> <li>▪ Hippie Movement</li> <li>▪ Drugs in society</li> <li>▪ Woodstock</li> <li>▪ Doves/Hawks</li> <li>▪ Televised War</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Domino Theory</li> <li>▪ 26th Amendment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ho Chi Minh</li> <li>▪ Vietcong</li> <li>▪ LBJ</li> <li>▪ Gen. Westmoreland</li> <li>▪ Richard Nixon</li> </ul>

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April/ May	31	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Watergate</li> <li>▪ Iran Hostage Crisis</li> <li>▪ Bicentennial</li> <li>▪ Man on Moon</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Inflation</li> <li>▪ OPEC</li> <li>▪ Revenue Sharing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Environmentalism</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ War Protests</li> <li>▪ Music influence</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Camp David Accords</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Richard Nixon</li> <li>▪ Gerald Ford</li> <li>▪ Henry Kissenger</li> <li>▪ Jimmy Carter</li> </ul>
May	32	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Iran-Contra Affair</li> <li>▪ Persian Gulf War</li> <li>▪ 9/11</li> <li>▪ Fall of Berlin Wall</li> <li>▪ War in Kosovo</li> <li>▪ 2000 Election</li> <li>▪ War in Afghanistan and Iraq</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Regonomics</li> <li>▪ Downsizing</li> <li>▪ Switch to service economy</li> <li>▪ Ecommerce</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Iraq</li> <li>▪ Afghanistan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Internet</li> <li>▪ Immigration</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Clinton's Impeachment</li> <li>▪ Growth of Technology</li> <li>▪ NAFTA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Ronald Regan</li> <li>▪ George H.W. Bush</li> <li>▪ Bill Clinton</li> <li>▪ George W. Bush</li> </ul>