

**Illinois School for the Deaf  
Course Curriculum**

**Course Title:** Social Studies Grade 3-5 Cycle: Year 3

**Course Agenda:**

Topic	Length of Unit	ILS Standards	ELA CCSS Standards – Reading Informational Text			ELA CCSS Standards – Writing
			Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 4
<b>Early Explorers/Settlers</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Columbus, Spanish explorers, French explorers, Pilgrims</li> </ul>	Approx. 1 week	<b>16.C.1b (W)</b> Explain how trade among people brought an exchange of ideas, technology and language.	<b>Key Ideas and Details</b> 1. Ask and answer questions to demonstrate understanding of a text, referring explicitly to the text as the basis for the answers.	<b>Key Ideas and Details</b> 1. Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.  2. Determine the main idea of a text and explain how it is supported by key details; summarize the text.  3. Explain events, procedures, ideas, or concepts in a historical, scientific, or technical text, including what happened and why, based on specific information in the text.	<b>Key Ideas and Details</b> 1. Quote accurately from a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing  2. Determine two or more main ideas of a text and explain how they are supported by key details; summarize the text.  3. Explain the relationships or interactions between two or more individuals, events, ideas, or concepts in a historical, scientific, or technical text based on specific information in the text.	<b>Text Types and Purposes</b> 1. Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons and information.  2. Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.  3. Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.
<b>13 Colonies/American Revolution</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Declaration of Independence</li> <li>US Constitution</li> </ul>	Approx. 8 weeks	<b>14.A.2</b> Explain the importance of fundamental concepts expressed and implied in major documents including the Declaration of Independence, the United States Constitution and the Illinois Constitution.  <b>16.B.2a (US)</b> Describe how the European colonies in North America developed politically.  <b>16.B.2b (US)</b> Identify major causes of the American Revolution and describe the consequences of the Revolution through the early national period, including the roles of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and Benjamin Franklin.  <b>16.D.2a (US)</b> Describe the various individual motives for settling in colonial America.	2. Determine the main idea of a text; recount the key details and explain how they support the main idea.  3. Describe the relationship between a series of historical events, scientific ideas or concepts, or steps in technical procedures in a text, using language that pertains to time, sequence, and cause/effect.  <b>Craft and Structure</b>  4. Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a <i>grade 3</i>	<b>Craft and Structure</b>  4. Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words or phrases in a text relevant to a <i>grade 4 topic or subject area</i> .  5. Describe the overall structure (e.g., chronology, comparison, cause/effect, problem/solution) of events, ideas, concepts, or information in a text or part of a text.	<b>Craft and Structure</b>  4. Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words and phrases in a text relevant to a <i>grade 5 topic or subject area</i> .	<b>Production and Distribution of Writing</b>  4. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)  5. With guidance and support from peers and
<b>Slavery/Civil War</b>	Approx. 7-8	<b>14.F.2</b> Identify consistencies and inconsistencies between expressed				5. With guidance and support from peers and

	weeks	<p>United States political traditions and ideas and actual practices (e.g., freedom of speech, right to bear arms, slavery, voting rights).</p> <p><b>16.C.2a (US)</b> Describe how slavery and indentured servitude influenced the early economy of the United States.</p>	<p><i>topic or subject area.</i></p> <p>5. Use text features and search tools (e.g., key words, sidebars, hyperlinks) to locate information relevant to a given topic efficiently.</p> <p>6. Distinguish their own point of view from that of the author of a text.</p>	<p>6. Compare and contrast a firsthand and secondhand account of the same event or topic; describe the differences in focus and the information provided.</p> <p><b>Integration of Knowledge and Ideas</b></p> <p>7. Interpret information presented visually, orally, or quantitatively (e.g., in charts, graphs, diagrams, time lines, animations, or interactive elements on Web pages) and explain how the information contributes to an understanding of the text in which it appears.</p> <p>8. Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text.</p> <p>9. Integrate information from two texts on the same topic in order to write or speak about the subject knowledgeably.</p> <p><b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b></p> <p>10. By the end of year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, in the grades 4–5 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.</p>	<p>5. Compare and contrast the overall structure (e.g., chronology, comparison, cause/effect, problem/solution) of events, ideas, concepts, or information in two or more texts.</p> <p>6. Analyze multiple accounts of the same event or topic, noting important similarities and differences in the point of view they represent.</p> <p><b>Integration of Knowledge and Ideas</b></p> <p>7. Draw on information from multiple print or digital sources, demonstrating the ability to locate an answer to a question quickly or to solve a problem efficiently.</p> <p>8. Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text, identifying which reasons and evidence support which point(s).</p> <p>9. Integrate information from several texts on the same topic in order to write or speak about the subject knowledgeably.</p>	<p>adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, and editing. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1–3 up to and including grade 4 on page 29.)</p> <p>6. With some guidance and support from adults, use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing as well as to interact and collaborate with others; demonstrate sufficient command of keyboarding skills to type a minimum of one page in a single sitting.</p> <p><b>Research to Build and Present Knowledge</b></p> <p>7. Conduct short research projects that build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic.</p> <p>8. Recall relevant information from experiences or gather relevant information from print and digital sources; take notes and categorize information, and provide a list of sources.</p> <p>9. Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. a. Apply <i>grade 4 Reading standards</i> to literature</p>
<p>Westward Expansion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Louisiana Purchase</li> <li>Alamo</li> <li>Gold Rush</li> </ul>	Approx. 1-2 weeks	<p><b>16.B.2d (US)</b> Identify major political events and leaders within the United States historical eras since the adoption of the Constitution, including the westward expansion, Louisiana Purchase, Civil War, and 20th century wars as well as the roles of Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln, Woodrow Wilson, and Franklin D. Roosevelt.</p> <p><b>16.D.2b (US)</b> Describe the ways in which participation in the westward movement affected families and communities.</p>	<p><b>Integration of Knowledge and Ideas</b></p> <p>7. Use information gained from illustrations (e.g., maps, photographs) and the words in a text to demonstrate understanding of the text (e.g., where, when, why, and how key events occur).</p> <p>8. Describe the logical connection between particular sentences and paragraphs in a text (e.g., comparison, cause/effect, first/second/third in a sequence).</p> <p>9. Compare and contrast the most important points and key details presented in two texts on the same topic.</p> <p><b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b></p> <p>10. By the end of the year, read and comprehend</p>			

			informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 2–3 text complexity band independently and proficiently.		<b>Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity</b>  10. By the end of the year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, at the high end of the grades 4–5 text complexity band independently and proficiently.	(e.g., "Describe in depth a character, setting, or event in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text [e.g., a character's thoughts, words, or actions]."). b. Apply <i>grade 4 Reading standards</i> to informational texts (e.g., "Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence to support particular points in a text").
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**Assessments:** May include the following: daily classroom work, participation, homework, written and oral quizzes, tests, quarterly exams, final exam, projects, etc.

**Course Materials:** May include texts, workbooks, assigned reading materials, supplementary materials, etc.