



	Year-at-a-Glance		
	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	
Focus Standards	SL: 1 RHSS: <b>3</b> ,5 WHSS: <b>2</b>	SL: 2, 5 RHSS: <b>8</b> , 9 WHSS: <b>1</b>	
Recursive Standards	SL: 2-6 RHSS: 1, 2, 4, 6-10 WHSS: 1, 4-10 L: 1-6	SL: 1, 3, 4, 6 RHSS: 1-7, 10 WHSS: 2, 4-10 L: 1-6	
	Semester Overview		
Unit Number	Unit 1 Purposes of Government	Unit 4 Congress	
Unit Title	3 weeks	2 weeks	
Unit Length	Unit 2 The Constitution and Federalism 2-3 weeks Unit 3	Unit 5 The President 2 weeks Unit 6	
	Political Beliefs and Behaviors 3 weeks	The Judicial System and Civil Liberties 2 weeks	





Quarter 1			
	Unit 1: Purposes of Government		
Big Idea	The American democracy was founded based on many ideas and theories on good government through history and the world.		
Compelling Question	What ideas, philosophies and political theories influenced the founders to decide how to structure the new American Democracy?		
CA H/SS Content Standards	<ul> <li>12.1 Students explain the fundamental principles and moral values of American democracy as expressed in the U.S. Constitution and other essential documents of American democracy.</li> <li>12.1.1 Analyze the influence of ancient Greek, Roman, English, and leading European political thinkers such as John Locke, Charles-Louis Montesquieu, Niccolò Machiavelli, and William Blackstone on the development of American government.</li> <li>12.1.3 Explain how the U.S. Constitution reflects a balance between the classical republican concern with promotion of the public good and the classical liberal concern with protecting individual rights; and discuss how the basic premises of liberal constitutionalism and democracy are joined in the Declaration of Independence as "self-evident truths."</li> <li>12.1.4 Explain how the Founding Fathers' realistic view of human nature led directly to the establishment of a constitutional system that limited the power of the governors and the governed as articulated in the Federalist Papers.</li> <li>12.1.5 Describe the systems of separated and shared powers, the role of organized interests (Federalist Paper Number 10), checks and balances (Federalist Paper Number 51), the importance of an independent judiciary (Federalist Paper Number 78), enumerated powers, rule of law, federalism, and civilian control of the military.</li> <li>12.9 Students analyze the origins, characteristics, and development of different political systems across time, with emphasis on the quest for political democracy, its advances, and its obstacles.</li> </ul>		
C3 Dime	C3 Dimensions		
Dimension 1 R1 W7 SL1	D1.1.9-12 Explain how a question reflects an enduring issue in the field.		





Dimension 2 R1-10 W7 SL1 L6	•	D2.Civ.2.9-12 Analyze the role of citizens in the U.S. political system, with attention to various theories of democracy, changes in Americans' participation over time, and alternative models from other countries, past and present. D2.Civ.9.9-12 Use appropriate deliberative processes in multiple settings. D2.Civ.14.9-12 Analyze historical, contemporary, and emerging means of changing societies, promoting the common good, and protecting rights
Dimension 3 R1-10 W1, 2, 7-10 SL11	•	D3.4.9-12 Refine claims and counterclaims attending to precision, significance, and knowledge conveyed through the claim while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both.
Dimension 4 R1 W 1-8 SL1-6	•	D4.1.9-12 Construct arguments using precise and knowledgeable claims, with evidence from multiple sources, while acknowledging counterclaims and evidentiary weaknesses.  D4.2.9-12 Construct explanations using sound reasoning, correct sequence (linear or non-linear), examples, and details with significant and pertinent information and data, while acknowledging the strengths and weaknesses of the explanation given its purpose.  D4.4.9-12 Critique the use of claims and evidence in arguments for credibility.  D4.5.9-12 Critique the use of the reasoning, sequencing, and supporting details of explanations.
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Sample Unit Assignments (In every unit students may engage in a variety of tasks or assignments that show evidence of the standards.)		After reading the selected text, write an essay in which you explain how the Founding Fathers' realistic view of human nature led directly to the establishment of a Constitutional system that limited the power of the governors and the governed as articulated in the Federalist Papers. Support your discussion with evidence from the text.





Suggested Texts			
Primary		Secondary	Tertiary
<ul> <li>"The Declaration of Independence"</li> <li>"Second Treatise of Government" by John Locke</li> <li>"Leviathan" by Thomas Hobbes</li> <li>"1961 Inaugural Address" by John F Kennedy</li> </ul>		• "Quotes about Power"	Magruder's American Government, chs. 1 and 22
		Quarter 1	
		Unit 2: The Constitution and Federalism	
Big Idea	The Constitution and the idea of federalism are the fundamental blueprints to how our nation's government is constructed.		
Compelling Questions (AC to choose 1)	<ul> <li>How does the Constitution delegate, limit, and divide government's power?</li> <li>What guidelines and expectations are set forth in the Constitution as to how our government operates within the federalist system?</li> </ul>		
CA H/SS Content Standards	<ul> <li>12.1.3 Explain how to the public good and to of liberal constitution.</li> <li>12.1.4 Explain how to constitutional system.</li> <li>12.1.5 Describe the some support of the some</li></ul>	the U.S. Constitution reflects a balance between the classical liberal concern with protecting individualism and democracy are joined in the Declaration he Founding Fathers' realistic view of human nator that limited the power of the governors and the systems of separated and shared powers, the role faces (Federalist Paper Number 51), the important fated powers, rule of law, federalism, and civilian face and compare the powers and procedures of conflicts between levels of government and branched powers and concurrent powers of state governments and disadvantages of federal, confederal	on of Independence as "self-evident truths." ure led directly to the establishment of a governed as articulated in the Federalist Papers. of organized interests (Federalist Paper Number te of an independent judiciary (Federalist Paper control of the military. of the national, state, tribal, and local thes of government are resolved. The independence as "self-evident truths."  The independence as "self-evident truth





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Dimension 2 R1-10 W7 SL1 L6	<ul> <li>D2.Civ.1.9-12 Distinguish the powers and responsibilities of local, state, tribal, national, and international civic and political institutions.</li> <li>D2.Civ.3.9-12 Analyze the impact of constitutions, laws, treaties, and international agreements on the maintenance of national and international order.</li> <li>D2.Civ.4.9-12 Explain how the U.S. Constitution establishes a system of government that has powers, responsibilities, and limits that have changed over time and that are still contested.</li> <li>D2.Civ.5.9-12 Evaluate citizens' and institutions' effectiveness in addressing social and political problems at the local, state, tribal, national, and/or international level.</li> <li>D2.Civ.12.9-12 Analyze how people use and challenge local, state, national, and international laws to address a variety of public issues.</li> <li>D2.Civ.13.9-12 Evaluate public policies in terms of intended and unintended outcomes, and related consequences.</li> </ul>	
Dimension 3 R1-10 W1, 2, 7-10 SL11	<ul> <li>D3.3.9-12 Identify evidence that draws information directly and substantively from multiple sources to detect inconsistencies in evidence in order to revise or strengthen claims.</li> <li>D3.4.9-12 Refine claims and counterclaims attending to precision, significance, and knowledge conveyed through the claim while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both.</li> </ul>	
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(Every AC must develop a minimum of one common assignment in a quarter that addresses the two bolded focus standards using the prompt frame.)

RHSS3 & WHSS2 Prompt: [Insert optional question] After (reading/researching) (literary text/s and/or
informational text/s on content), write (product) in which you identify key steps in (text/s)
description of (process related to history/social studies). Support your (product) with evidence from
(text/s). (LDC Template: IE3)

### **Sample Unit Assignments**

(In every unit students may engage in a variety of tasks or assignments that show evidence of the standards.) After reading the selected text, write a paragraph and create an infographic in which you explain how the conflicts between levels of government and branches of government are resolved. Support your discussion with evidence from the text.

# Suggested Texts

Primary	Secondary	Tertiary
<ul> <li>Primary</li> <li>"The United States Constitution"</li> <li>"The Federalist Papers" by Alexander Hamilton, James Madison and John Jay #1, #6, #8, #10, #21, #51 and possibly several others.</li> <li>"McCulloch v. Maryland Supreme Court majority opinion"</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Secondary</li> <li>"Synopsis of McCulloch v. Maryland"</li> <li>"The Words We Live By: Your Annotated Guide to the Constitution" by Linda R. Monk</li> </ul>	Tertiary  • Magruder's American Government, chs. 2-4





Quarter 1		
	Unit 3: Political Beliefs and Behaviors	
Big Idea	Citizens of the United States actively take on tremendous responsibilities and engage in political activity in a variety of ways to promote the goal of a more perfect Union.	
Compelling Question	In what ways can Citizens engage in civic and political activity and what motivates them to do so?	
CA H/SS Content Standards	<ul> <li>12.2 Students evaluate and take and defend positions on the scope and limits of rights and obligations as democratic citizens, the relation-ships among them, and how they are secured.</li> <li>12.2.4 Understand the obligations of civic-mindedness, including voting, being informed on civic issues, volunteering and performing public service, and serving in the military or alternative service.</li> <li>12.2.5 Describe the reciprocity between rights and obligations; that is, why enjoyment of one's rights entails respect for the rights of others.</li> <li>12.3 Students evaluate and take and defend positions on what the fundamental values and principles of civil society are (i.e., the autonomous sphere of voluntary personal, social, and economic relations that are not part of government), their interdependence, and the meaning and importance of those values and principles for a free society.</li> <li>12.6 Students evaluate issues regarding campaigns for national, state, and local elective offices.</li> <li>12.6.1 Analyze the origin, development, and role of political parties, noting those occasional periods in which there was only one major party or were more than two major parties.</li> <li>12.6.2 Discuss the history of the nomination process for presidential candidates and the increasing importance of primaries in general elections.</li> <li>12.6.3 Evaluate the roles of polls, campaign advertising, and the controversies over campaign funding.</li> <li>12.6.4 Describe the means that citizens use to participate in the political process (e.g., voting, campaigning, lobbying, filing a legal challenge, demonstrating, petitioning, picketing, running for political office).</li> <li>12.6.5 Discuss the features of direct democracy in numerous states (e.g., the process of referendums, recall elections).</li> </ul>	





	<ul> <li>12.6.6 Analyze trends in voter turnout; the causes and effects of reapportionment and redistricting, with special attention to spatial districting and the rights of minorities; and the function of the Electoral College.</li> <li>12.8 Students evaluate and take and defend positions on the influence of the media on American political life.</li> <li>12.8.2 Describe the roles of broadcast, print, and electronic media, including the Internet, as means of communication in American politics.</li> <li>12.8.3 Explain how public officials use the media to communicate with the citizenry and to shape public opinion.</li> <li>12.10 Students formulate questions about and defend their analyses of tensions within our constitutional democracy and the importance of maintaining a balance between the following concepts: majority rule and individual rights; liberty and equality; state and national authority in a federal system; civil disobedience and the rule of law; freedom of the press and the right to a fair trial; the relationship of religion and government.</li> </ul>
C3 Dime	ensions
Dimension 1 R1 W7 SL1	<ul> <li>D1.5.9-12 Determine the kinds of sources that will be helpful in answering compelling and supporting questions, taking into consideration multiple points of view represented in the sources, the types of sources available, and the potential uses of the sources.</li> </ul>
Dimension 2 R1-10 W7 SL1 L6	<ul> <li>D2.Civ.2.9-12 Analyze the role of citizens in the U.S. political system, with attention to various theories of democracy, changes in Americans' participation over time, and alternative models from other countries, past and present.</li> <li>D2.Civ.5.9-12 Evaluate citizens' and institutions' effectiveness in addressing social and political problems at the local, state, tribal, national, and/or international level.</li> <li>D2.Civ.7.9-12 Apply civic virtues and democratic principles when working with others.</li> <li>D2.Civ.10.9-12 Analyze the impact and the appropriate roles of personal interests and perspectives on the application of civic virtues, democratic principles, constitutional rights, and human rights.</li> </ul>
Dimension 3 R1-10 W1, 2, 7-10 SL11	<ul> <li>D3.1.9-12 Gather relevant information from multiple sources representing a wide range of views while using the origin, authority, structure, context, and corroborative value of the sources to guide the selection.</li> <li>D3.3.9-12 Identify evidence that draws information directly and substantively from multiple sources to detect inconsistencies in evidence in order to revise or strengthen claims.</li> <li>D3.4.9-12 Refine claims and counterclaims attending to precision, significance, and knowledge conveyed through the claim while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both.</li> </ul>





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<ul> <li>Archive of Campaign commercials</li> <li>Archive of Presidential debates on video</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>"Archive of full text of presidential debates, party platforms and election documents and data"</li> <li>"Presidential electoral data"</li> </ul>	Magruder's American Government, chs. 5-9





	"Election polling and archive of political writings"			
	Quarter 2			
	Unit 4: Congress			
Big Idea	Legislative powers of the U.S. Congress.			
Compelling Questions (AC to choose 1)	<ul> <li>As the branch of the people, what obligation does Congress have to their constituents?</li> <li>Why is it difficult for a bill to become a law?</li> </ul>			
CA H/SS Content Standards	<ul> <li>12.4 Students analyze the unique roles and responsibilities of the three branches of government as established by the U.S. Constitution.</li> <li>12.4.1 Discuss Article I of the Constitution as it relates to the legislative branch, including eligibility for office and lengths of terms of representatives and senators; election to office; the roles of the House and Senate in impeachment proceedings; the role of the vice president; the enumerated legislative powers; and the process by which a bill becomes a law.</li> <li>12.4.2 Explain the process through which the Constitution can be amended.</li> <li>12.4.3 Identify their current representatives in the legislative branch of the national government.</li> <li>12.7 Students analyze and compare the powers and procedures of the national, state, tribal, and local governments.</li> </ul>			
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W7 SL1	D1.4.9-12 Explain how supporting questions contribute to an inquiry and how, through engaging source work, new compelling and supporting questions emerge.
Dimension 2 R1-10 W7 SL1 L6	<ul> <li>D2.Civ.1.9-12 Distinguish the powers and responsibilities of local, state, tribal, national, and international civic and political institutions.</li> <li>D2.Civ.4.9-12 Explain how the U.S. Constitution establishes a system of government that has powers, responsibilities, and limits that have changed over time and that are still contested.</li> <li>D2.Civ.5.9-12 Evaluate citizens' and institutions' effectiveness in addressing social and political problems at the local, state, tribal, national, and/or international level.</li> <li>D2.Civ.6.9-12 Critique relationships among governments, civil societies, and economic markets.</li> <li>D2.Civ.11.9-12 Evaluate multiple procedures for making governmental decisions at the local, state, national, and international levels in terms of the civic purposes achieved.</li> </ul>
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Suggested Texts				
<ul> <li>Primary</li> <li>U.S. Constitution Article I</li> <li>Any Legislative Bill</li> <li>C-Span recordings of floor Senate/HOR</li> </ul>	action in	<ul> <li>Secondary</li> <li>Washington's gridlock, October 3, 2011:         Upfront New York Times</li> <li>Why the Democrats went nuclear: will changing the filibuster rule break         Washington's gridlock or make things         worse? January 13, 2014 Upfront New         York Times</li> <li>Congresslink.org</li> <li>HippoCampus.org</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Tertiary</li> <li>Magruder's American Government, chs. 10-12</li> <li>We the People</li> </ul>	
		Quarter 2		
		Unit 5: The President		
Big Idea The Presiden branch.	t as Chief Execu	itive has numerous formal and informal powers to	carry out the responsibilities of the Executive	





Compelling Questions (AC to choose 1)	<ul> <li>What powers does the President have and is the President too powerful?</li> <li>What obstacles could Congress and the Judicial Branch confront the President with?</li> <li>How has presidential power changed?</li> </ul>
CA H/SS Content Standards	<ul> <li>12.4 Students analyze the unique roles and responsibilities of the three branches of government as established by the U.S. Constitution.</li> <li>12.4.4 Discuss Article II of the Constitution as it relates to the executive branch, including eligibility for office and lengt of term, election to and removal from office, the oath of office, and the enumerated executive powers.</li> <li>12.4.6. Explain the processes of selection and confirmation of Supreme Court justices.</li> <li>12.7 Students analyze and compare the powers and procedures of the national, state, tribal, and local governments.</li> <li>12.7.8. Understand the scope of presidential power and decision making through examination of case studies such as the Cuban Missile Crisis, passage of Great Society legislation, War Powers Act, Gulf War, and Bosnia.</li> </ul>
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Dimension 1 R1 W7 SL1	<ul> <li>D1.3.9-12 Explain points of agreement and disagreement experts have about interpretations and applications of disciplinary concepts and ideas associated with a supporting question.</li> </ul>
Dimension 2 R1-10 W7 SL1 L6	<ul> <li>D2.Civ.1.9-12 Distinguish the powers and responsibilities of local, state, tribal, national, and international civic and political institutions.</li> <li>D2.Civ.4.9-12 Explain how the U.S. Constitution establishes a system of government that has powers, responsibilities, and limits that have changed over time and that are still contested.</li> <li>D2.Civ.5.9-12 Evaluate citizens' and institutions' effectiveness in addressing social and political problems at the local, state, tribal, national, and/or international level.</li> <li>D2.Civ.6.9-12 Critique relationships among governments, civil societies, and economic markets.</li> <li>D2.Civ.7.9-12 Apply civic virtues and democratic principles when working with others.</li> <li>D2.Civ.11.9-12 Evaluate multiple procedures for making governmental decisions at the local, state, national, and international levels in terms of the civic purposes achieved.</li> </ul>





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<ul> <li>U.S. Constit</li> <li>America De President R</li> <li>President E Terror: Sep</li> </ul>	Primary  tution Article II eclares War on Japan: Roosevelt Speech (video) Bush Declares War on ptember 20, 2001 (video) can President Project Paper #70  • Upfront New York Times: War Po • Scholastic Magazine • National Constitution Center	13-15	
• rederanst r	Quarter 2		
Big Idea	Unit 6: The Judicial System and Civil Li  Federal courts and the Supreme Court's power to interpret the Constit		
Compelling Questions (AC to choose 1)	Questions • What role do the courts play in settling legal disputes?		
CA H/SS Content Standards	<ul> <li>12.2 Students evaluate and take and defend positions on the democratic citizens, the relation-ships among them, and heteroide.</li> <li>12.4 Students analyze the unique roles and responsibilities by the U.S. Constitution.</li> <li>12.4.5 Discuss Article III of the Constitution as it relates to judit the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court.</li> <li>12.4.6. Explain the processes of selection and confirmation of States.</li> </ul>	ow they are secured. es of the three branches of government as established icial power, including the length of terms of judges and	





	<ul> <li>12.5 Students summarize landmark U.S. Supreme Court interpretations of the Constitution and its amendments.</li> <li>12.5.1 Understand the changing interpretations of the Bill of Rights over time, including interpretations of the basic freedoms (religion, speech, press, petition, and assembly) articulated in the First Amendment and the due process and equal-protection-of-the-law clauses of the Fourteenth Amendment.</li> <li>12.5.2 Analyze judicial activism and judicial restraint and the effects of each policy over the decades (e.g., the Warren and Rehnquist courts).</li> <li>12.2.3 Evaluate the effects of the Court's interpretations of the Constitution in Marbury v. Madison, McCulloch v. Maryland, and United States v. Nixon, with emphasis on the arguments espoused by each side in these cases.</li> <li>12.5.4. Explain the controversies that have resulted over changing interpretations of civil rights, including those in Plessy v. Ferguson, Brown v. Board of Education, Miranda v. Arizona, Regents of the University of California v. Bakke, Adarand Constructors, Inc. v. Pena, and United States v. Virginia (VMI).</li> </ul>
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Dimension 1 R1 W7 SL1	<ul> <li>D1.3.9-12 Explain points of agreement and disagreement experts have about interpretations and applications of disciplinary concepts and ideas associated with a supporting question.</li> <li>D1.5.9-12. Determine the kinds of sources that will be helpful in answering compelling and supporting questions, taking into consideration multiple points of view represented in the sources, the types of sources available, and the potential uses of the sources.</li> </ul>
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Sample Unit Assig (In every unit stud engage in a variety	ents may	After reading the selected texts on your chosen Supreme Court landmark case, write a report in which you compare the positions of the defendant and the plaintiff and argue which side of the dispute presented the most effective argument. Support your position with evidence from the text.





or assignments that show evidence of the standards.)  Suggested Texts		
<ul><li>Primary</li><li>Constitution Article III</li><li>Bill of Rights</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Secondary</li> <li>Marbury v. Madison</li> <li>Video: Gideon's Trumpet</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Tertiary</li> <li>Magruder's American Government, chs. 18-21</li> </ul>
<ul><li>14th Amendment</li><li>Marbury v. Madison</li><li>Gideon v. Wainwright</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Students and the Supreme Court: A         Lexicon of Laws     </li> <li>The Supreme Court (video)</li> </ul>	We the People
<ul> <li>Miranda v. Arizona</li> <li>Any Landmark Supreme Court case regarding Civil rights or liberties</li> <li>The Oyez Project</li> </ul>		
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C3 Framework Inquiry Arc				
Dimension 1 Developing Questions and Planning Inquiries	Dimension 2 Applying Disciplinary Tools and Concepts	Dimension 3 Evaluating Sources and Using Evidence	Dimension 4 Communicating Conclusions and Taking Informed Action	
<ul> <li>Developing Questions and Planning Inquiries</li> <li>Constructing Compelling Questions</li> <li>Constructing Supporting Questions</li> <li>Determining Helpful Sources</li> </ul>	Civics      Civic and Political Institutions     Participation and Deliberation:     Applying Civic Virtues and     Democratic Principles     Process, Rules, and Laws  Economics     Economic Decision Making     Exchange and Markets	Gathering and Evaluating Sources	Communicating and Critiquing Conclusions  Communicating Conclusions Critiquing Conclusions	
	<ul> <li>The National Economy</li> <li>The Global Economy</li> <li>Geography</li> <li>Geographic Representations:         <ul> <li>Spatial Views of the World</li> </ul> </li> <li>Human-Environment         <ul> <li>Interactions: Places, Regions, and Culture</li> <li>Human Population: Spatial                         Patterns and Movements</li></ul></li></ul>	Developing Claims and Using Evidence	Taking Informed Action	





	<ul> <li>Change, Continuity, and Context</li> <li>Perspectives</li> <li>Historical Sources and Evidence</li> <li>Causation and Argumentation</li> </ul>		
	Expanded C3 In	quiry Arc	
Dimension 1 Developing Questions and Planning Inquiries	Dimension 2 Applying Disciplinary Tools and Concepts	Dimension 3 Evaluating Sources and Using Evidence	Dimension 4 Communicating Conclusions and Taking Informed Action
Questions are the starting point for inquiry and come in two forms: compelling and supporting. Compelling questions focus on enduring issues and concerns while supporting questions focus on descriptions, definitions and processes. Students develop inquiry by determining the data sources needed to answer both forms of questions.  Adapted from the C3 Framework	Each discipline offers a unique way of thinking and organizing knowledge as well as systems for verifying knowledge. This dimension focuses on the concepts and tools students need to develop a deep and enduring understanding of the disciplinary ideas.  Adapted from the C3 Framework	Students need to analyze information and come to conclusions in an inquiry. Through the rigorous analysis and evaluation of sources, students make evidence-based claims that will form the basis for their conclusions. Adapted from the C3 Framework	Dimension 4 provides an opportunity for students to formalize their conclusions and represent their ideas in a variety of forms. Students collaborate with others as they communicate and critique their conclusions in public venues. Civic engagement serves as both a means of learning and applying social studies knowledge. Adapted from the C3 Framework
Anchor Standards	Anchor Standards	Anchor Standards	Anchor Standards
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R1, W7, SL1	R1-10, W7, SL1, L6	R1-10, W1, 2, 7-10, SL1	R1, W1-8, SL1-6
Grade Band Indicators	Grade Band Indicators	Grade Band Indicators	Grade Band Indicators
<ul> <li>D1.1.9-12 Explain how a question reflects an enduring issue in the field.</li> </ul>	D2.Civ.1.9-12 Distinguish the powers and responsibilities of local, state, tribal, national, and	D3.1.9-12 Gather relevant information from multiple sources representing a	D4.1.9-12 Construct arguments using precise and knowledgeable claims, with





- D1.2.9-12 Explain points of agreement and disagreement experts have about interpretations and applications of disciplinary concepts and ideas associated with a compelling question.
- D1.3.9-12 Explain points of agreement and disagreement experts have about interpretations and applications of disciplinary concepts and ideas associated with a supporting question.
- D1.4.9-12 Explain how supporting questions contribute to an inquiry and how, through engaging source work, new compelling and supporting questions emerge.
- D1.5.9-12 Determine the kinds of sources that will be helpful in answering compelling and supporting questions, taking into consideration multiple points of view represented in the sources, the types of sources available, and the potential uses of the sources.

- international civic and political institutions.
- D2.Civ.2.9-12 Analyze the role of citizens in the U.S. political system, with attention to various theories of democracy, changes in Americans' participation over time, and alternative models from other countries, past and present.
- D2.Civ.3.9-12 Analyze the impact of constitutions, laws, treaties, and international agreements on the maintenance of national and international order.
- D2.Civ.4.9-12 Explain how the U.S. Constitution establishes a system of government that has powers, responsibilities, and limits that have changed over time and that are still contested.
- D2.Civ.5.9-12 Evaluate citizens' and institutions' effectiveness in addressing social and political problems at the local, state, tribal, national, and/or international level.
- D2.Civ.6.9-12 Critique relationships among governments, civil societies, and economic markets.
- D2.Civ.7.9-12 Apply civic virtues and democratic principles when working with others.
- D2.Civ.8.9-12 Evaluate social and political systems in different contexts, times, and places, that promote civic virtues and enact democratic principles.

- wide range of views while using the origin, authority, structure, context, and corroborative value of the sources to guide the selection.
- D3.2.9-12 Evaluate the credibility of a source by examining how experts value the source.
- D3.3.9-12 Identify evidence that draws information directly and substantively from multiple sources to detect inconsistencies in evidence in order to revise or strengthen claims.
- D3.4.9-12 Refine claims and counterclaims attending to precision, significance, and knowledge conveyed through the claim while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both.

- evidence from multiple sources, while acknowledging counterclaims and evidentiary weaknesses.
- explanations using sound reasoning, correct sequence (linear or non-linear), examples, and details with significant and pertinent information and data, while acknowledging the strengths and weaknesses of the explanation given its purpose.
- D4.3.9-12 Present adaptations of arguments and explanations that feature evocative ideas and perspectives on issues and topics to reach a range of audiences and venues outside the classroom using print and oral technologies and digital technologies.
- D4.4.9-12 Critique the use of claims and evidence in arguments for credibility.
- D4.5.9-12 Critique the use of the reasoning, sequencing, and supporting details of explanations.
- D4.6.9-12 Use disciplinary and interdisciplinary lenses to understand the characteristics and causes of local, regional, and global problems; instances of such problems in multiple contexts; and challenges and opportunities faced by those





- D2.Civ.9.9-12 Use appropriate deliberative processes in multiple settings.
- D2.Civ.10.9-12 Analyze the impact and the appropriate roles of personal interests and perspectives on the application of civic virtues, democratic principles, constitutional rights, and human rights.
- D2.Civ.11.9-12 Evaluate multiple procedures for making governmental decisions at the local, state, national, and international levels in terms of the civic purposes achieved.
- D2.Civ.12.9-12 Analyze how people use and challenge local, state, national, and international laws to address a variety of public issues.
- D2.Civ.13.9-12 Evaluate public policies in terms of intended and unintended outcomes, and related consequences.
- D2.Civ.14.9-12 Analyze historical, contemporary, and emerging means of changing societies, promoting the common good, and protecting rights.

Teachers are encouraged to use indicators from the history, economics, and geography disciplinary sections when appropriate.

- trying to address these problems over time and place.
- D4.7.9-12 Assess their individual and collective capacities to take action to address local, regional, and global problems, taking into account a range of possible levels of power, strategies, and potential outcomes.
- D4.8.9-12 Apply a range of deliberative and democratic strategies and procedures to make decisions and take action in their classrooms, schools, and out-of-school civic contexts.



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<b>Definitions</b>			

### • What is a big idea?

A big idea is an abstract and transferable concept, theme or process at the heart of a subject or topic. (Wiggins and McTighe)

### • What is a compelling question?

"Compelling questions address problems and issues found in and across the academic disciplines that make up social studies. They require students to apply disciplinary concepts and to construct arguments and interpretations. Compelling questions often emerge from the interests of students and their curiosity about how things work, but they are also grounded in curriculum and content with which students might have little experience." C3 Glossary

#### • What is a supporting question?

"Supporting questions are intended to contribute knowledge and insights to the inquiry behind a compelling question. Supporting questions focus on descriptions, definitions, and processes about which there is general agreement within the social studies disciplines, which will assist students to construct explanations that advance claims of understanding in response." C3 Glossary

## • What are California History/Social Science Content Standards?

The California History/Social Science Content Standards provide the grade level or subject matter specific knowledge, concepts, and skills that students should acquire at each grade level. California H/SS teachers are required to teach to these content standards.

#### What are C3 Indicators?

Each of the Four Dimensions has subsections or categories. Those subsections are broken down into indicators that suggest how students might develop proficiency for a particular skill or concept according to their grade band. Adapted from C3 page 13



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