SOCIAL STUDIES CURRICULUM – GRADE 5

ESSENTIAL	CONTENT & CONCEPTS	SKILL	RESOURCES & TEXT	ASSESSMENTS
QUESTIONS			ALIGNMENT	
How does an archeologist piece together history to formulate and prove a hypothesis? What is the history of Latin America? What role did the Mayan	History of the United States, Culture Canada and Latin America Empathy Interdependence	 Use documents, artifacts and other sources to understand how different groups influenced the cultures of the U.S., Canada and Latin America Recognize that people living in the Western Hemisphere can view the same event or issue from different perspectives Explain that people carry their ideas and ways of life with them when they move from place to place resulting in cultural diffusion 	Social Studies Integrated Simulations Social Studies Trade Books: http://downloads.ncss.org /notable/notable2007.pdf Constructed response site: http://www.edteck.com/dbq/basic/lesson.htm	Constructed Response: http://www.kn.att.com/wired/fil /pages/listdocumentpa.html Persuasive Essay Document Based Questions: http://www.emsc.nysed.gov /ciai/dbg/ssindex.html
civilization play in the history of the U.S. and Mexico? How do the actions of one country affect the other two countries? (US, Canada or	Change Geography of the United	 Describe and sequence turning points and events that shaped the history, culture, and boundaries of the United States, Canada and Latin America Identify important historic figures and groups that made contributions to the development of the U.S., Canada and Latin America 	Graphic organizers: Graphic Organizers for Content Instruction http://www.literacymatters.org/ content/study/organizers.htm	http://www.edteck.com /dbq/eiq/5_ss_dbq2.pdf Research Projects Write a paragraph explaining
Latin America) What part did Fort Niagara play in NYS history? How did cultural groups in	States, Canada, and Latin America Places and regions	 Explain the 5 themes of geography: location, place movement, regions, interactions with the environment Identify and locate the U.S., Canada and Latin America on a map Recognize that maps, geographic representations, 	Web Resources: Skills and practice for Gr. 5 Assessment http://www.dcboces.org/teachers/grade5socstassess/elemassesswork.htm	how a 5 th grader could influence a political decision. Explain contributions made by two cultural groups to the development of state, national,
America make use of resources to survive?	Physical systems Human systems	 tools and technology can be used to gather, process and report information Explain how geological processes shaped the physical environments of U.S., Canada and Latin America 	http://www.brainpop.com/socialstudies/ http://www.timeforkids.com/TFK/	or world history, and compare similarities and differences of their contributions.
How does the geography of the U.S., Canada and Latin America affect the lives of the people who live there?	Environment and Society	 Recognize that the geography of the US, Canada and Latin America includes a wide variety of landforms. Recognize the effects of geographic location on scarce capital, natural and human resources Identify the 5 geographic regions that make up the 	NYS Prior Years' Assessment: http://www.nysedregents.org /testing/eleminttests.html Ten-minute presentation illustrates the growth of the United States from the original	Create a coloring book for young children about the Bill of Rights.
		 U.S. Identify the 13 provinces and territories in Canada. 	thirteen colonies in 1789. http://www.animatedatlas.com/movie.html	

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		Recognize the political boundaries of Latin		
		America		
			http://free.ed.gov/	
How did Canada and the		• Compare and contrast the cultures of these 3	ittp://iroc.od.gov/	
United States become world		countries	http://countrystudies.us/united-states/	
powers?		Describe how human actions have modified the	ittp://eoutilitystautes.as/aintea_states/	
powers.		physical environments of the U.S., Canada and		
	Francisc of the United States	Latin America		
	Economics of the United States,			
	Canada, and Latin America	Recognize the factors that influence economic and		
What effect does a		technological growth and change		
country's economic system	Needs and wants	Describe how economic development involves		
have on its citizens?	Factors of production	learning about the contributions of different		
	1 detors of production	individuals and groups over time.		
		Describe how groups and individuals in these		
	Technology	countries attempt to satisfy their basic needs and		
		wants by utilizing scare capital, natural and human		
		resources		
		• Identify and understand concepts such as scarcity,		
Why do we vote?		supply and demand, productivity, and economic growth.		
		Recognize that the U.S., Canada and Latin America depend on one another for resources and		
		products		
		 Recognize that exchanges of technologies, plants, 		
		animals and diseases have changed life in the		
What are the requirements		regions of the U.S., Canada and Latin America		
to run for political office?		 Compare economies of these three countries 		
		 Describe how technology and science have 		
		influenced the standard of living in nations in		
		North, Central and South America		
	Governments of the United	Tiorni, Central and South I linelieu		
	States, Canada, and Latin America			
What are the similarities		Compare and contrast the types of governments of		
and differences among the	Interdependence	the U.S., Canada and Latin America		
governments of the United	Citizenship	 Determine the effects of laws and rules on security 		
States, Canada and Latin	Civic values	and individual rights		
America?		Compare the rights of U.S. citizens to other		
		nations of the Western Hemisphere		
		Interpret the roles of governments		
		Know that present forms of government had their		
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What can we learn from documents?		 origins in the past Describe amendments, separation of powers, checks and balances, and the federal system of government Investigate legal, political and historical documents to define the values, belief and principles of the U.S. and Canada Recognize organizations that promote peace, economic development and cultural understanding among nations 		
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The fifth grade program stresses geographic, economic and social/cultural understandings related to the United States, Canada and nations in Latin America today.

General Skills:

- ❖ Identify a variety of sources on information

- Recognize advantages and limitations of various sources
 Locate sources of print and non print information
 Identify types and kinds of information needed
 Organize collected information graphic organizers, summarized notes
- Use media and various visual for communicating ideas
- ❖ Write in an expository way
- Participate in group planning and discussion
 Assume responsibility for carrying out tasks

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