

Geography

Subject:	Grade	Unit	Suggested Timeline
Social Studies	Second Grade	Introduction to geography tools	Approx. 4 weeks

Grade Level Summary	Social Studies in 2nd Grade focuses on expanding our knowledge of the world around us to include additional map skills, with an emphasis on the local and state level, in terms of their geography, cultures, economics, and history.
Grade Level Units	Unit 1: Geography Unit 2: History Unit 3: Economics Unit 4: Citizenship and Government

Unit Title

Geographic tools, physical mapping and physical changes to our environment

Unit Summary

The purpose of this unit is to teach students about different landforms and bodies of water. The students will also learn about places and their location.

Unit Essential Questions:	Key Understandings
 How can I gather information about places, landforms and physical characteristics of a region by looking at a map? 	 Students will be able to look at a map and gather information about places and landforms Students will be able to identify the change of physical characteristics on a region and the impact it has on people

Focus Standards Addressed in the Unit	
7.1.2.B	Describe regions in geographic reference using physical features.
7.1.2.A	Identify how basic geographic tools are used to organize information.
7.2.2.A	Identify the physical characteristics of places .
7.2.2.B	Identify the basic physical processes that affect the physical characteristics regions.
7.3.2.A	Identify the effect of local geography on the residents of the region (food, clothing, industry, trade, types of shelter, etc.).

7.4.2.A	Identify how environmental changes can impact people.	
Important Standards	Addressed in the Unit	
CC1.2.2. A (ELA)	Identify the main idea of multi paragraph text as well as the focus of specific paragraphs within the text	
CC.1.2.2.B (ELA)	Ask and answer questions such as who, what, where, when, why and how to demonstrate understanding of key details in a text	
CC1.2.2.C (ELA)	Describe the connection between a series of events, concepts or steps in procedure within text	
CC.1.2.2.E (ELA)	Use various text features and search tools to locate key facts or information in text efficiently	

Misconceptions

- All bodies of water are called ocean
- Peninsula and island are the same
- Physical changes don't affect people
- Storms and hurricanes are the same
- Same weather is in all states and countries
- Man-made items are natural resources

Proper Conceptions

- There are many different types of bodies of water (river, lake, ocean, pond)
- Peninsula has water on all sides except one, an island has water all around it
- Physical changes do affect people and landforms
- There are differences between thunderstorms and hurricanes
- States have different weather
- Man-made items are not natural resources

Concepts	Competencies	Vocabulary
L1: Aspects of location	L1:Understand that location is how	*Location
	we describe where places and things	*Border
L2: Describe where we live by	are.	*Continent
naming the community, state, country		*Flow chart
and continent	L2:Identify the connections between	*Landform
	state, country, continent and world	*Examples of landforms: desert,
L3: Aspects of landforms and bodies		valley, river, plain, lake, island, hill,
of water	L3: Identify the differences between	peninsula
	landforms and different bodies of	*Geographic tools: Flow chart,
L4: Different types of weather	water in United States	compass rose, map scales, grid map,
		route
L5: Identifying different types of	L4: Understand the features of the	*Season
resources	four seasons. Identify different types	*Natural resource
	of dangerous weather	*Crops
		*Reduce
L6: Identify the changes that occur by	L5: Understand that natural resources	*Reuse
what humans create. Taking care of the Earth.	are things that occur in nature that we	*Recycle

use. Identify examples of resources that can be easily replaced and ones that cannot.	
L6: Understand how we change the Earth and how we can also preserve it.	

Assessments:

- Orally answering questions (ex. ticket out the door, questions from teacher guide)
- Check understanding questions at the end of each lesson
- Assessments in teacher manual
- Create landforms by using play dough
- Create flow chart to show understanding of information
- Brain pop jr. specific video hard quiz/easy quiz: Continents and oceans, landforms, reading maps

Suggested Strategies to Support Design of Coherent Instruction

Charlotte Danielson's Framework for Teaching: Domain 3 Instruction

- Create map of classroom, bedroom, school, etc.
- Create landforms using play dough
- Use graphic organizers
- Make foldables
- Create vocabulary cards
- Use BrainPop ir specific videos: Continents and oceans, landforms, reading maps
- Brain pop jr. lesson plans in specific videos above
- Color a map in specific colors to identify borders and bodies of water
- Google earth display (instead of using a globe or pull down map)
- Buddy reading textbooks
- Create booklet by using additional resource book that displays applications of concepts being taught
- Activities in student textbook
- Create posters to promote recycle, reduce, reuse
- Google earth display (instead of using a globe or pull down map)
- Nature Walk outside to explore natural resources
- Organize trash to see what needs to be recycled

Differentiation:

Low:

- Students will be in small group with teacher and identify landforms on a pre-created map
- Students will be in small group and teacher will read textbook aloud

Middle:

- Students will partner up with other students and create their own country by using all landforms
- Students will partner read textbook together

High:

- Students will create a map of their own country by using all landforms
- Students will read textbook independently and create flow chart

Interdisciplinary Connections:

- Reading comprehension: Creating graphic organizers to show understanding of concepts
- Science: Weather, seasons and recycle

Additional Resources:

TIME magazine (specific topic) National Geographic (specific topic) Scholastic magazine (specific topic)

Create booklet using received copied pages from Northern Elementary

Informational texts:

BrainPop jr videos (specific topics noted above) https://jr.brainpop.com/

Interactive education websites specific topics under social studies: Landforms, Maps and Directions, Continents http://interactivesites.weebly.com/social-studies.html

Google Earth website

http://www.google.com/earth/

Interactive education websites specific topics under science: Weather and seasons

http://interactivesites.weebly.com/science.html

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History

Subject:	Grade	Unit	Suggested Timeline
Social Studies	Second Grade	Introduction to History today and long ago	Approx. 4 weeks

Grade Level Summary	Social Studies in 2nd Grade focuses on expanding our knowledge of the world around us to include additional map skills, with an emphasis on the local and state level, in terms of their geography, cultures, economics, and history.
Grade Level Units	Unit 1: Geography Unit 2: History issues, group conflict Unit 3: Economics Unit 4: Citizenship and Government

Unit Title

Historical figures and issues in local community and state -Historical documents, local community figures, state history, global

Unit Summary

The purpose of this unit is to teach students about our community, state, impact of history and cultures.

Unit Essential Questions:	Key Understandings
1. How do documents and historical figures impact	1. Students will be able to understand and identify
our local community, state and country?	historical figures in our community, state and country
	2. Students will be able to identify documents in
	history and buildings, monuments and statues

Focus Standards Addressed in the Unit		
8.1.2.A	Read and interpret information on simple timelines.	
8.1.2.B	Identify documents relating to an event.	
8.1.2.C	Apply sources of historical information.	
8.2.2.A	Identify historical figures in the local community.	
8.2.2.B	Identify important buildings, statues, and monuments associated with the state's history.	

8.2.2.C	Identify how commerce and industry and social organizations have changed over time in Pennsylvania.
8.2.2.D	Identify how conflict is impacted by ethnicity and race, working conditions, immigration, military conflict, and economics.
8.3.2.A	Identify groups and organizations and their contributions to the United States.
8.4.2.A	Explain why cultures have commemorations and remembrances.
8.4.2.B	Explain the significance of historical documents on world history.
8.4.2.C	Identify how cultures have commemorations and remembrances.
8.4.2.D	Identify global issues that require cooperation among nations.

Important Standards Addressed in the Unit		
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CC.1.2.2.B (ELA)	Ask and answer questions such as who, what, where, when, why and how to demonstrate understanding of key details in a text	
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- Historical figures and documents are fictional characters in a book
- History does not impact our life today
- Media is just used for entertainment

Proper Conceptions

- Historical figures and documents are important and relevant to the knowledge of our history
- Historical figures had an impact on our community, state and country
- Media can be used to enrich conversation, knowledge and political opinions

Concepts	Competencies	Vocabulary
L1: Timelines	L1: Create and interpret a historical timeline	*Past *Culture
L2: Historical information and		*Slavery
important documents	L2:Identify and understand	*Timeline
	importance of PA documents	*Document
L3: Local historical figures		*Immigration
	L3: Understand the founders of our	*Immigrant
L4: Important buildings, monuments	community (Wells and Dill)	*Community
and statues in PA		*Citizen
		*Commemorations

L5: Impact of conflict on people and United States L6: Groups and organizations in United States L7: Cultures and how others live	L4: Identify and understand what the PA buildings, monuments and statues represent (ex. Independence hall, liberty bell, state capitol building, state museum, etc) L5: Understand how conflict can affect the lives of people in United States and in other countries.	*Remembrances *Tradition *Monument *Statue *Constitution *Congress * Supreme Court *Governor *Historical figures
	L6: Understand the reasons for commemoration and remembrances in other cultures.	

Assessments:

- Orally answering questions (ex. ticket out the door, questions from teacher guide)
- Check understanding questions at the end of each lesson
- Assessments in teacher manual
- Create timeline to show understanding of information
- Brain pop jr. specific video hard quiz/easy quiz:Historical figures (George Washington Carver, Abraham Lincoln, Harriet Tubman, Martin Luther King, etc)
- Write biography on specific historical figures
- TIME for kids assessments after reading articles

Suggested Strategies to Support Design of Coherent Instruction

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- Use graphic organizers
- Create vocabulary cards
- Use BrainPop ir specific videos: see above
- Brain pop jr. lesson plans in specific videos above
- Create timeline of local community
- Buddy reading textbooks
- Create booklet by using additional resource book that displays applications of concepts being taught
- Activities in student textbook
- Create posters on historical figures
- Research documents online

Differentiation:

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- Students will be in small group with teacher and identify timelines and historical documents
- Students will be in small group and teacher will read textbook aloud

Middle:

- Students will partner up with other students and create their own timeline by using information and identify historical documents
- Students will partner read textbook together

High:

- Students will create a timeline independently and explain the reason for certain historical documents
- Students will read textbook independently and create flow chart

Interdisciplinary Connections:

- Reading comprehension: Creating graphic organizers to show understanding of concepts
- Writing non-fiction essays (biographies)
- Writing- research documents and historical figures

Additional Resources:

TIME magazine (specific topic) National Geographic (specific topic) Scholastic magazine (specific topic)

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Informational texts:

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Discovery education videos www.discoveryeducation.com

Biography search engines http://nycsdtips.wikispaces.com/Searching#Bio

World book kids

http://www.worldbookonline.com/kids/home

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Civics and Government

Subject:	Grade	Unit	Suggested Timeline
Social Studies	Second Grade	Introduction to civics and government	Approx. 4 weeks

Grade Level Summary	Social Studies in 2nd Grade focuses on expanding our knowledge of the world around us to include additional map skills, with an emphasis on the local and state level, in terms of their geography, cultures, economics, and history.
Grade Level Units	Unit 1: Geography Unit 2: History issues, group conflict Unit 3: Economics Unit 4: Citizenship and Government

Unit Title

Rights and responsibilities of citizenship in our government

Unit Summary

The purpose of this unit is to teach students about their responsibilities as a member of the school, community, state and country. Rules and responsibilities, forms of media, problems and solutions, leadership

Unit Essential Questions:	Key Understandings
 What rights and responsibilities do I have as a citizen? How can I work to resolve conflict? 	 Students will learn rules, responsibilities, and consequences of being a citizen Students will understand how you can resolve conflict in the classroom and identify it in the country

Focus Standards Addressed in the Unit		
5.1.2.A	Explain the purposes of rules and their consequences in the classroom and school community.	
5.1.2.B	Explain the importance of rules in the classroom and school community.	
5.1.2.C	Define fairness in working with others.	
5.1.2.D	Explain why school rules are written and posted.	
5.1.2.E	Describe citizens ' responsibilities to the state of Pennsylvania and the nation.	
5.1.2.F	Identify state symbols.	

5.2.2.A	Identify and explain the importance of responsibilities at school at home and the community.
5.2.2.B	Identify a problem and probable solution.
5.2.2.C	Identify community projects/activities that support leadership and public service.
5.2.2.D	Explain responsible community behavior.
5.3.2.A	Identify the role government plays in the community (education, transportation).
5.3.2.B	Identify local government leaders.
5.3.2.C	Identify other types of services provided by local government .
5.3.2.D	Identify positions of authority at school.
5.3.2.E	Describe situations in the state or nation when having an elected official represent the people is beneficial.
5.3.2.F	Identify and explain behaviors for responsible school citizens and possible consequences for inappropriate action.
5.3.2.H	Identify different forms of media.
5.3.2.I	Define taxes and why they are paid.
5.3.2.J	Identify the responsibilities of voters after the vote.
5.4.2.A	Explain examples of conflict in the community, state , and nation.
5.4.2.B	Identify ways that countries can work together.
5.4.2.C	Explain why nations need to work together for peace.
5.4.2.D	Identify the different types of media.
5.4.2.E	Explain how a community reaches compromise.

Important Standards Addressed in the Unit		
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- Not responsible for my actions
- Leaders are the people that are in the front of the line
- Problems at recess have a huge impact on individuals

Proper Conceptions

- There are consequences for actions
- Individuals with leadership roles have responsibilities and enforce rules
- In order to solve a problem individuals need to come together to create a solution that is good for everyone.

Concepts	Competencies	Vocabulary
L1: Rules and responsibilities in school and community	L1: Identify and apply rules and responsibilities in community/school.	*Government *Citizen
L2: Problem and solution in the community and classroom	Understand the consequences that come with breaking a rule.	*State *Forms of media (internet, videos, newspaper, magazines, etc)
L3: Citizen responsibilities in state	L2:Identify problem and ways to fairly solve them. Understand and apply responsible community	*Technology *Tax *Transportation
L4: Leadership roles	behavior	*Communication * Election
L5: Problem and solution in our state and country	L3: Understand the responsibilities of being a citizen in PA (ex. paying taxes, voting etc)	*Justice/Fairness
L6: State symbols	L4: Compare leadership roles in	
L7: Forms of media	school, community, state and country	
	L5: Discuss appropriate conflict and solution in state and country today.	
	L6: Identify and understand importance of state symbols	
	L7: Use and identify different forms of media.	

Assessments:

- Orally answering questions (ex. ticket out the door, questions from teacher guide)
- Check understanding questions at the end of each lesson
- Assessments in teacher manual
- Write a letter to state representative
- Brain pop jr. specific video hard quiz/easy quiz: Government
- Role play for problem and solution
- Create rules for classroom and community
- TIME for kids assessments after reading articles

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- Create vocabulary cards
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- Brain pop jr. lesson plans in specific videos above
- Write letter to state representative
- Buddy reading textbooks
- Create booklet by using additional resource book that displays applications of concepts being taught
- Activities in student textbook
- Create posters on conflict and how to solve it
- Research media resources online

Differentiation:

Low:

- Students will be in small group with teacher and identify responsibilities in school and state
- Students will be in small group and teacher will read textbook out loud

Middle:

- Students will partner up with other students and create class rules and responsibilities
- Students will partner read textbook together

High:

- Students will create class rules and explain why they are important
- Students will read textbook independently and summarize what was read

Interdisciplinary Connections:

- Reading comprehension: Creating graphic organizers to show understanding of concepts
- Writing: Making lists of rules
- Writing: research media

Additional Resources:

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Informational texts:

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Economics

Subject:	Grade	Unit	Suggested Timeline
Social Studies	Second Grade	Introduction Economics	Approx. 4 weeks

Grade Level Summary	Social Studies in 2nd Grade focuses on expanding our knowledge of the world around us to include additional map skills, with an emphasis on the local and state level, in terms of their geography, cultures, economics, and history.
Grade Level Units	Unit 1: Geography Unit 2: History issues, group conflict Unit 3: Economics Unit 4: Citizenship and Government

Unit Title

Economics

Unit Summary

The purpose of this unit is to teach students about the economic systems and how it affects our individual lives, community and country. Needs and wants, scarcity and choice, goods and services, markets and economics, local businesses, income, profit and wealth

Unit Essential Questions:	Key Understandings
1. How do people get money to pay for goods and services?	 Students will be able to understand how your income can affect your choices of your wants and
2. How do we get the things we need and want?	needs. 2. Students will be able to distinguish between wants and needs

Focus Standards Addressed in the Unit		
6.1.2.A	Identify scarcity of resources within the school community.	
6.1.2.B	Identify community wants and needs.	
6.1.2.C	Explain how choice has consequences.	
6.1.2.D	Identify a choice based on community interest.	
6.2.2.A	Identify goods, services, consumers, and producers in the local community.	
6.2.2.B	Differentiate between markets and competition.	

6.2.2.C	Define personal choice as related to buying an item.		
6.2.2.D	Explain how demand for a consumer good impacts price.		
6.2.2.E	Identify the impact on a community when a business closes.		
6.2.2.F	Describe the role of financial institutions as related to consumers' financial needs.		
6.2.2.G	Identify examples of an economic system.		
6.3.2.A	Identify examples of goods and services provided by the private sector.		
6.3.2.C	Define taxes and who pays them.		
6.3.2.D	Identify products produced outside the United States.		
6.4.2.A	Identify local examples of specialization of work.		
6.4.2.C	Identify products that come from many different countries.		
6.4.2.D	Identify buyers and sellers and how their wants and needs are addressed.		
6.5.2.A	Explain how money earned by individuals is used to meet needs and wants.		
6.5.2.B	Different how different job skills impact earnings.		
6.5.2.C	Describe the roles of local businesses.		
6.5.2.D	Describe money saving behaviors.		
6.5.2.E	Describe the qualities that may be necessary to complete a task.		
6.5.2.F	Explain the responsibilities of a business owner.		
6.5.2.G	Identify how saving for a purchase occurs over time.		
6.5.2.H	Describe why people save money in the local bank.		
Important Standards A			
CC1.2.2. A (ELA)	Identify the main idea of multi paragraph text as well as the focus of specific paragraphs within the text		
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Misconceptions

- Some things that are needs are wants
- Everyone has the same amount of money
- A business that closes has no effect on the community

Proper Conceptions

- Needs and wants are different and we need to make a choice sometimes
- People have different jobs and incomes
- Local businesses affect the financial state of a community

Concepts	Competencies	Vocabulary
L1: Needs and wants	L1: Comparing the differences	*Needs
	between wants and needs. Identify	*Wants
L2: Scarcity and choice	community needs and wants	*Scarcity
		*Choice
L3: Goods and services	L2: Understand choices affect the	*Services
	availability of a product or resource	*Tax
L4: Markets and economic		*Income
	L3: Demonstrating knowledge of the	*Profit
L5: Local businesses	process in which we receive goods.	*Wealth
	Identify services and jobs of people in	* Save
L6: Income, profit and wealth	the community.	*Trade
		*Opportunity Cost
	L4: Understand the economic systems	*Goods
	and how it affects financial	*Producer
	institutions and local businesses.	*Consumer
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	L5: Identify the effects that a local	
	business has on its community (ex.	
	when it closes, financial impact, etc)	
	L6: Demonstrates an understanding of how income and profit effects wants, needs and savings	

Assessments:

- Orally answering questions (ex. ticket out the door, questions from teacher guide)
- Check understanding questions at the end of each lesson
- Assessments in teacher manual
- Create timeline to show understanding of information
- Brain pop jr. specific video hard quiz/easy quiz: Needs and Wants, Goods and Services, Saving and Spending
- Sort needs and wants
- TIME for kids assessments after reading articles

Suggested Strategies to Support Design of Coherent Instruction

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- Use graphic organizers
- Create vocabulary cards
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- Brain pop jr. lesson plans in specific videos above
- Buddy reading textbooks
- Create booklet by using additional resource book that displays applications of concepts being taught
- Activities in student textbook
- Create a powerpoint on needs and wants
- Provide a food for students, tell them you have enough for everyone so they can take as much as they want, then you run out-- teach scarcity and choice
- Looking at pictures to pick out wants and needs
- Kidspiration template
- Create a video describing why it is important to save

Differentiation:

Low:

- Students will be in small group with teacher and identify wants and needs
- Students will be in small group and teacher will read textbook aloud

Middle:

- Students will partner up with other students and create a list of wants and needs
- Students will partner read textbook together

High:

- Students will create a list of wants and needs and explain why they categorized them this way
- Students will read textbook independently and summarize what they learned

Interdisciplinary Connections:

- Reading comprehension: Creating graphic organizers to show understanding of concepts
- Writing: Write a paragraph about something they want to save for and why
- Writing- research prices of different wants and needs

Additional Resources:

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