8th Grade/Course Social Science Unit 32: New Millennium

Approximate Duration of Study: [Time]

Standards &	Concepts &	Vocabulary Term(s)	Assessment(s)	Helpful Activities & Resources
Benchmark(s)	Skills/Essential Questions			
HISTORY/SOCIAL	1. What issues will the	1. Ronald Reagan	1. Quizzes	1. Chapter Study Guides
EL.MS.RH.1 - RH.6-8.1.	government face in the			, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Cite specific textual	21st century?	2. Supply-side	2. Chapter Test Pre	2. Power Points
evidence to support	,	economics	& Post	
analysis of primary and	2. What events led to			3. Map Activities # 60 – 63
secondary sources.	the end of the Cold	3. Iran-Contra	3. Decades Projects	·
EL.MS.RH.4 - RH.6-8.4.	War?	Affair		4. America – The Story of Us – Millennium
Determine the meaning				·
of words and phrases as	Students will identify	4. George H.W.		5. Make a Time Capsule
they are used in a text,	Reagan's strong stand	Bush		
including vocabulary	against communism			
specific to domains	that led to the break of	5. Persian Gulf War		
related to history/social	the Soviet Union and			
studies.	the end of	6. Bill Clinton		
EL.MS.RH.5 - RH.6-8.5.	communism.			
Describe how a text		7. NAFTA		
presents information.				
EL.MS.RH.7 - RH.6-8.7.		8. George W. Bush		
Integrate visual				
information with other		9. Internet		
information in print and				
digital texts.		10. E-Commerce		
Political Systems				
SOC.EH.014.F -		11. Service		
Understand the		Economy		
development of United		42 1.5		
States political ideas and		12. Information		
traditions.		Revolution		
✓ 4A. Determine the historical		13. Downsizing		
events and		TO: DOMINISIZING		
processes that				
brought about				
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changes in United	14. Immigration		
States political	Reform and Control		
ideas and	Act of 1986		
traditions (e.g.,			
the New Deal,			
Civil War).			
✓ 4B. Describe how			
United States'			
political ideas,			
practices and			
technologies			
have extended			
rights for			
Americans in the			
20th century			
(e.g., suffrage,			
civil rights,			
motor-voter			
registration).			
History			
SOC.EH.016.D -			
Understand Illinois,			
United States and world			
social history.			
✓ 4C. (W) Identify			
significant events			
and			
developments			
since 1500 that			
altered world			
social history in			
ways that persist			
today including			
colonization,			
Protestant			
Reformation,			
industrialization,			
the rise of			
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technology and			
human rights			
movements.			
SOC.EH.016.E -			
Understand Illinois,			
United States and world			
environmental history.			
✓ 4A. (US) Describe			
the causes and			
effects of			
conservation and			
environmental			
movements in			
the United			
States, 1900 -			
present.			
Political Systems			
SOC.MS.014.D -			
Understand the roles and			
influences of individuals			
and interest groups in the			
political systems of			
Illinois, the United States			
and other nations.			
✓ 3. Describe roles			
and influences of			
individuals,			
groups and			
media in shaping			
current Illinois			
and United States			
public policy			
(e.g., general			
public opinion,			
special interest			
groups, formal			
parties, media).			

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SOC.MS.014.E -			
Understand United States			
foreign policy as it relates			
to other nations and			
international issues.			
✓ 3. Compare the			
basic principles of			
the United States			
and its			
international			
interests (e.g.,			
territory,			
environment,			
trade, use of			
technology).			
Economics			
SOC.MS.015.A -			
Understand how			
different economic			
systems operate in the			
exchange, production,			
distribution and			
consumption of goods			
and services.			
✓ 3A. Explain how			
market prices			
signal producers			
about what, how			
and how much to			
produce.			
✓ 3B. Explain the			
relationship			
between			
productivity and			
wages.			
✓ 3C. Describe the			
relationship			
between			

consumer		
purchases and		
businesses paying		
for productive		
resources.		
History		
SOC.MS.016.A - Apply the		
skills of historical analysis		
and interpretation.		
✓ 3B. Make		
inferences about		
historical events		
and eras using		
historical maps		
and other		
historical		
sources.		
SOC.MS.016.C -		
Understand the		
development of		
economic systems.		
✓ 3C. (US) Describe		
how economic		
developments		
and government		
policies after		
1865 affected the		
country's		
economic		
institutions		
including		
corporations,		
banks and		
organized labor.		