

People, Places, Events and Competencies in the STAAR

Coach Russo's U.S. History 1607-1877

The following list includes most names, dates, places, and other specifics in the 8th grade TEKS)

Exploration

- Identify reasons for exploration

Colonization

- Magna Carta
- 1607
- Mayflower Compact (1620)
- Fundamental Orders of Connecticut (1639)
- House of Burgesses
- William Penn
- Charles de Montesquieu
- William Blackstone

Revolution

- Mercantilism
- French and Indian War
- Samuel Adams
- Benjamin Franklin
- King George III
- Lexington and Concord
- Magna Carta
- English Bill of Rights
- Thomas Jefferson
- 1776
- Thomas Paine
- George Washington
- John Paul Jones
- Marquis de Lafayette
- Abigail Adams
- Wentworth Cheswell
- Mercy Otis Warren
- James Armistead
- Bernardo de Galvez
- Crispus Attucks
- Haym Solomon
- John Quincy Adams
- Battle of Trenton
- Valley Forge
- Saratoga
- Yorktown
- Treaty of Paris 1783
- Articles of Confederation

- Declaration of Independence

The Constitution and the Constitutional Convention

- Strengths/Weaknesses of Articles
- Virginia Plan
- New Jersey Plan
- Great Compromise
- Three-Fifths Compromise
- Influence of Magna Carta, English Bill of Rights, etc, Grievances in Declaration
- Limited Government, "Representative Government
- Republicanism
- Checks and Balances
- Federalism
- Separation of Powers
- Popular Sovereignty
- Unalienable Rights
- Bill of Rights
- Civic Responsibilities – voting, obeying laws, serving on juries
- "Civic Virtue"
- Federalist Papers
- George Mason

Early National Period 1787-1820

- 1787 signing of the U.S. Constitution
- Challenges facing the new government
- National security
 - ✓ Foreign Policy – Washington to Monroe
 - ✓ Washington's Farewell Address
 - ✓ Monroe Doctrine
- Economic Stability
 - ✓ Tariff
 - ✓ Taxation
 - ✓ Banking
- Role of Federal Government
 - ✓ Federalist/Anti-Federalist
 - ✓ Democratic-Republicans
 - ✓ Alexander Hamilton/Thomas Jefferson
 - ✓ John Marshall
 - ✓ McCulloch v. Maryland
 - ✓ Marbury v. Madison
 - ✓ Gibbons v. Ogden
- Westward Expansion
 - ✓ Northwest Territory/Ordinance
 - ✓ 1803 – Louisiana Purchase (political and geographic impact)
- Economic/Geographic Characteristics
 - ✓ North, South, West

- ✓ War of 1812
- ✓ Urbanization/Industrialization
- Social/Cultural trends and issues
- Inventions/Technology
 - ✓ Steamboat
 - ✓ Railroad
 - ✓ Canals

- Care for the disabled
- Art and Literature
- Congressional Leaders
 - ✓ John C. Calhoun
 - ✓ Daniel Webster
 - ✓ Henry Clay

The Era of Good Feelings to the Civil War

- Andrew Jackson and Jacksonian Democracy
 - ✓ Indian policies and the Cherokee
 - ✓ Removal
 - ✓ Democratic Party
 - ✓ Worcester v. Georgia
 - ✓ Manifest Destiny
 - ✓ Mexican War
 - ✓ Florida
 - ✓ Texas and the Mexican Cession
 - ✓ Oregon Territory
 - ✓ Gold Rush
 - ✓ Principal geographic features of new acquisitions
- Causes of the Civil War
 - ✓ Tariffs
 - ✓ States' Rights and Nullification Crisis
 - ✓ Sectionalism
 - North/South/West
 - Economic differences
 - Plantation system
 - ✓ Slavery and the abolition Movement
 - Dread Scot v. Sanford
 - ✓ Election of 1860
- Significant political, military, and social leaders
 - ✓ Frederick Douglas
 - ✓ Elizabeth Cady Stanton
 - ✓ Henry David Thoreau (Civil Disobedience)
 - ✓ Abraham Lincoln
- Social Issues
 - ✓ Urbanization/Industrialization
 - Industrial Revolution
 - Free Enterprise System
 - ✓ Immigration – ethnic groups that immigrated to the U.S.
 - ✓ Reform Movements
 - Education
 - Women's Rights – Seneca Falls
 - Declaration of Sentiments and Resolutions
 - Prison Reform
 - Labor Reform

Civil War and Reconstruction

- Civil War Leaders
 - ✓ Jefferson Davis
 - Jefferson Davis's inaugural address
 - ✓ Robert E. Lee
 - ✓ Stonewall Jackson
 - ✓ Abraham Lincoln
 - Lincoln's inaugural addresses and Emancipation Proclamation
 - ✓ Ulysses S. Grant
 - ✓ Fort Sumter
 - ✓ Gettysburg
 - ✓ Antietam
 - ✓ Vicksburg
 - ✓ Appomattox Courthouse
 - ✓ Lincoln's Assassination
- Reconstruction
 - ✓ Radical Republican Congress (Reform Programs)
 - ✓ Social problems related to Reconstruction
 - ✓ 13th, 14th, and 15th Amendments
 - ✓ Hiram Rhode Rebels
 - ✓ Homestead Act
 - ✓ Dawes Act
 - ✓ Morrill Act