



# Social Studies 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

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**Text:** [The United States, Harcourt & History Alive! America's Past, Teacher's Curriculum Institute](#)

To access the Harcourt Social Studies textbook go to: <http://www.eharcourtschool.com/>

Student usernames and passwords should be kept in their planners.

## **Description:**

Fifth grade social studies encompass' the 8 strands of social studies: American history; government; economics; geography; culture; citizenship; science and technology in society; and social studies skills.

## **Goals:**

The student will demonstrate a basic knowledge of:

1. History, government & economics of the U.S. from their early beginnings to the present.
2. Basic geography of U.S. and impact of various cultures on the growth of America.
3. The significance of fundamental rights and responsibilities of American citizens.
4. Critical thinking skills to organize and use information correctly from a variety of sources, including electronic technology.

## **Requirements:**

Class attendance and participation; maintenance of a classroom interactive notebook; teachers will also require various reports and projects throughout the year. Students will use planners for communication and must return them signed daily.

## **Resources & Course Calendar/ Schedule:**

Please see [www.mansfieldisd.org](http://www.mansfieldisd.org), Curriculum and Instruction, Social Studies 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Pacing Guide and Scope & Sequence. The first CBA will be given the week of Sept 25. Other important dates will be sent home throughout the year.

**GRADING POLICY:** *Grading periods will be figured by averaging daily class participation, quizzes, major tests, hands-on projects, homework, and writing assignments.*

### Intermediate School Grading Guidelines:

90-100 = A

80-89 = B

70-79 = C

Below 70 = Failing

I = Incomplete ("I" is not an academic grade, but indicates incomplete work.)

Citizenship grades: E = Excellent, S = Satisfactory, N = Needs Improvement, U = Unsatisfactory.

Categories 50% - Daily Assignments/Quizzes 40% - Major Tests/Projects/CBAs 10% - Homework

Number of Grades Each Grading Period: 10 minimum, with 2 minimum per category. Grades will be posted in Skyward within five business days with exception to lengthy projects or writing assignments.

