

SYLLABUS AND ASSIGNMENTS

These assignments address all of the NM Social Studies Content Standards for Civics/ Government.

The objective of this course is to prepare students to become active and involved citizens who understand their rights and obligations under the Constitution. The structure of American government and the concepts relevant to a federal system will be addressed as well. A variety of instructional strategies including lectures, group activities, oral presentations, artwork and simulations will be used to address the content standards.

1/4-1/13

Reading Assignment: Chapter 1

FOCUS QUESTION: How can government make it possible for people to live together peacefully and productively?

Homework Activities (**Choose 2 of 4 book activities**)

Page 12 #2 Compare #3 Identify #4 Making Predictions #6 Conclude

Chapter Vocabulary – MUST COMPLETE

Chapter Test, Class Journal and Homework Due on January 13

1/17-1/27

Reading Assignment: Chapter 2

FOCUS QUESTION: What are the origins of American democratic ideals?

Homework Activities (**Choose 3 of 7**)

Page 32 #2 Explain #3 Summarize #4 Drawing Conclusions

Page 38 #5 Categorizing

Page 42 #5 Categorizing

Page 49 #21 Practicing Skills

Chapter Vocabulary – MUST COMPLETE

Chapter Test, Class Journal and Homework Due on January 27

1/30-2/17

Reading Assignment: Chapters 3, 4 and 5

FOCUS QUESTION: What are the essential elements of the U.S. Constitution?

Homework Activities (**Choose 4 of 12 book activities**)

Page 59 #3 Explain

Page 87 #4 Evaluating Information #5 Summarizing

Page 93 #3 Evaluate

Page 95 #23 Analyzing Visuals

Page 101 #3 Identify

Page 107 #5 Organizing

Page 112 #2 Explain

Page 117 #20 Making Judgments

Page 124 #4 Drawing Conclusions #5 Making Comparisons

Page 133 #19 Evaluating Information

Chapter Vocabulary – MUST COMPLETE

Chapter Test, Class Journal and Homework Due on February 17

2/21-3/9

Reading Assignment: Chapters 6, 7 and 8

FOCUS QUESTION: What are the functions of the institutions of government?

Homework Activities (**Choose 4 of 14**)

Page 144 #3 Explain

Page 145 Practicing the Skill (3 questions)

Page 156 Debating the Issue, #1 and #2

Page 160 Evaluating Charts

Page 163 #20 Categorizing Information

Page 174 #4 Drawing Conclusions #5 Organizing Information

Page 178 #5 Organizing Information

SENIOR PROJECT PRESENTATION WEEK FEBRUARY 27 – MARCH 2

Page 187 #20 Cause and Effect

Page 195 #2 List #5 Organizing Information

Page 199 #4 Making Judgments

Page 204 #5 Organizing Information

Chapter Vocabulary – MUST COMPLETE

Chapter Test, Class Journal and Homework Due on March 9

3/19-4/5

Reading Assignment: Chapters 9, 10 and 11

FOCUS QUESTION: What institutions link citizens to their government?

Homework Activities (**Choose 3 of 11**)

Page 222 #2 Contrast #5 Making Comparisons

Page 230 #4 Drawing Conclusions #5 Organizing Information

Page 231 Practicing the Skill (4 questions)

Page 240 #5 Sequencing Information

Page 245 Issues to Debate (3 questions)

Page 263 Analyzing the Court Decision

Page 268 #4 Drawing Conclusions

Page 275 #4 Making Comparisons #5 Summarizing Information

Chapter Vocabulary – MUST COMPLETE

Chapter Test, Class Journal and Homework Due on April 4 or April 5

4/9-4/20

Reading Assignment: Chapters 12, 13 and 14

FOCUS QUESTION: What are the issues faced by state and local governments?

Homework Activities (**Choose 2 of 10**)

Page 286 #5 Categorizing Information

Page 290 #3 Conclude #5 Cause and Effect

Page 295 #5 Making Comparisons

Page 300 #5 Organizing Information

Page 303 #22 Analyzing Visuals

Page 321 #20 Classifying Information #23 Analyzing Visuals

Page 339 #17 Identifying Point of View #20 Recognizing Bias

Chapter Vocabulary – MUST COMPLETE

Chapter Test, Class Journal and Homework Due on April 20

4/23-5/4

Reading Assignment: Chapters 15, 16 and 17

FOCUS QUESTION: How are the law and individual rights related?

Homework Activities (**Choose 3 of 10**)

Page 347 #3 Identify #5 Making Comparisons

Page 351 #2 Contrast #5 Organizing Information

Page 358 #2 Identify #4 Drawing Conclusions #5 Organizing Info

Page 367 #6 Identify

Page 378 #3 Describe #5 Summarizing Information

Chapter Vocabulary – MUST COMPLETE

Class Journal and Homework Due on May 4

FINAL EXAMS FOR STUDENTS CLASSIFIED AS GRADE 12 ON MAY 7 and MAY 8

5/7-5/22

Reading Assignment: Chapters 27 and 28

Homework: Chapter Assessments on pages 606-607 and 628-629

Homework Due on May 23 or May 24

FINAL EXAMS FOR ALL OTHER STUDENTS ON MAY 23 and MAY 24