



Course Title: Civics Honors
Content Area: Social Studies
Grade Level: 9

Scope and Sequence

Unit or Topic	Standards	Length of Time	Key Content	Assessment Tools	Scaffolding Strategies (Interventions, Special Education)	Resources & Materials
Unit 1: A Tradition of Democracy	5.1.9.B 5.1.9.C 5.2.9.A 5.2.9.D 5.3.9.J 8.1.9.B 8.3.9.A 8.3.9.C 8.3.9.D CC.8.5.9-10.D CC.8.5.9-10.G CC.8.6.9-10.C CC.8.6.9-10.E	~3 weeks	-What is Civics? -Who are US Citizens -Population Changes -Types of Government -The State of Nature	Teacher generated quizzes, unit test	Guided Notes, adapted quizzes, adapted unit tests, extended time for projects, small group testing when needed, provided vocab sheet for articles when needed. All students can retake Unit Tests to receive up to a C. Honors is differentiated with additional writing assignments, research expectations in projects, and differing test	Most content is teacher created. Use of the following integrated throughout units: -iCivics.org -Civics101podcast.org -Seterra.com -upfront.scholastic.com -Pew Research Center -School research databases -Government websites -PBS <i>Constitution USA</i> DVD -Netflix: <i>We the People</i> Music Series - <i>Out of Many, One</i> Documentary

					formats/questions and additional independent work	
Unit 2: Foundations of the US Government	5.1.9.D 5.2.9.B 8.1.9.A 8.1.9.B 8.1.9.C 8.3.9.B 8.3.9.C 8.4.9.B CC.8.5.9-10.A CC.8.5.9-10.B CC.8.5.9-10.D CC.8.5.9-10.F CC.8.6.9-10.C CC.8.6.9-10.E CC.8.6.9-10.H CC.8.6.9-10.I	~8-9 weeks	-Purposes of Government -How/Why/When: Settling the USA -The First US Government -The US Constitution -Founding Fathers, Founding Mothers	Teacher generated quizzes, unit test, project, primary and secondary source evaluation activity	Guided Notes, adapted quizzes, adapted unit tests, extended time for projects, small group testing when needed, provided vocab sheet for articles when needed. All students can retake Unit Tests to receive up to a C. Honors is differentiated with additional writing assignments, research expectations in projects, and differing test formats/questions and additional independent work	Most content is teacher created. Use of the following integrated throughout units: -iCivics.org -Civics101podcast.org -Seterra.com -upfront.scholastic.com -School research databases -Government websites -PBS <i>Constitution USA</i> DVD -Netflix: <i>We the People</i> Music Series - <i>Independent Dames</i> by Laurie Halse Anderson - <i>Voices of the American Past</i> : Documents in US History
Unit 3: The Federal System of Government	5.1.9.A 5.3.9.D 5.3.9.E 8.1.9.B 8.3.9.C CC.8.5.9-10.D	~4 weeks	-Federalism -A Flexible Document -Two Party System -Amendments	Teacher generated quizzes, project, unit test	Guided Notes, adapted quizzes, adapted unit tests, extended time for projects, small group testing when needed, provided vocab	Most content is teacher created. Use of the following integrated throughout units: -iCivics.org -Civics101podcast.org -Seterra.com -upfront.scholastic.com

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Unit 4: Three Branches of Government	5.2.9.C 5.2.9.D 5.3.9.F 5.3.9.H 5.4.9.A 5.4.9.B 8.1.9.B 8.1.9.C 8.3.9.C CC.8.5.9-10.A CC.8.5.9-10.B CC.8.5.9-10.D CC.8.5.9-10.F CC.8.6.9-10.A CC.8.6.9-10.C	~8-9 weeks	-The Three Branches of the US Government -The Legislative Branch -The Executive Branch -The Judicial Branch	Teacher generated quizzes, unit test, project	Guided Notes, adapted quizzes, adapted unit tests, extended time for projects, small group testing when needed, provided vocab sheet for articles when needed. All students can retake Unit Tests to receive up to a C. Honors is differentiated with additional writing assignments, research expectations in projects, and	Most content is teacher created. Use of the following integrated throughout units: -iCivics.org -Civics101podcast.org -Seterra.com -upfront.scholastic.com -School research databases -Government websites -PBS <i>Constitution USA</i> DVD -Scalia: <i>A Portrait of a Man and Jurist</i> DVD -RBG: <i>Hero, Icon, Dissenter</i> DVD -Netflix: <i>We the People</i> Music Series

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Unit 5: Federalism in Action	5.3.9.A 5.3.9.B 5.3.9.C 5.3.9.E 8.3.9.C CC.8.5.9-10.D CC.8.6.9-10.A CC.8.6.9-10.C CC.8.6.9-10.E CC.8.6.9-10.H CC.8.6.9-10.I	~3 weeks	-Separation of Powers -Checks and Balances -How Washington Works -The Balance of Federal and State government	Teacher generated quizzes	Guided Notes, adapted quizzes, adapted unit tests, extended time for projects, small group testing when needed, provided vocab sheet for articles when needed. All students can retake Unit Tests to receive up to a C. Honors is differentiated with additional writing assignments, research expectations in projects, and differing test formats/questions and additional independent work	Most content is teacher created. Use of the following integrated throughout units: -iCivics.org -Civics101podcast.org -Seterra.com -upfront.scholastic.com -Pew Research Center -School research databases -Government websites -PBS <i>Constitution USA</i> DVD -Netflix: <i>We the People</i> Music Series
Unit 6: State and Local Government	5.1.9.A 5.1.9.B 5.1.9.D 5.1.9.E 5.2.9.C 5.3.9.A	~2-3 weeks	-State Governments -State Executive Branch -State Legislative Branch -State Judicial Branch -Local Government	Teacher generated quizzes, project	Guided Notes, adapted quizzes, adapted unit tests, extended time for projects, small group testing	Most content is teacher created Use of the following integrated throughout units: -iCivics.org -Civics101podcast.org

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