



## Kindergarten-Eighth Grade Social Studies Content and Concepts

Kindergarten	People and Places
<i>First Grade</i>	<i>Neighborhoods Now and Then</i>
Second Grade	Communities
<i>Third Grade</i>	<i>Cities: Choices, Changes, Connections</i>
Fourth Grade	Regions Near and Far
<i>Fifth Grade</i>	<i>American People and Places, Past and Present</i>
Sixth Grade	Understanding the World—Past and Present
<i>Seventh Grade</i>	<i>American History: Choices and Changes</i>
Eighth Grade	US History—Challenges, Choices, Changes

### Examples of BIG questions

#### Place

- Who lives where?
- How and why do people travel?
- What are the resources?
- How have people changed this place?
- What are the parts of a city?

#### People

- What are the parts of a community?
- How do people live?
- How do people help each other?
- What is important to people in this place?
- What are the values of the culture?

#### The Economy

- What work do people do in a school?
- What work do people do in the city?
- What work do people do on a farm?
- How do businesses work?
- How has the economy changed?

#### Government

- How and why do people make rules and laws?
- How does government help people?
- What are citizens' responsibilities?
- What is a democracy?
- What is a nation?