

(Grade 1)

Unit #: 1

# My Classroom

### Summary and Rationale

In order to participate in a civic and democratic society, students must demonstrate civic engagement. Civics teaches students to participate in a governing society. The very first governing society they are introduced to outside of the home is their classroom. Students will learn civic virtues, rules, and the basic principles that guide participation in a society. They will begin to learn how to act as responsible and effective citizens.

### **Recommended Pacing**

Approximately 14 days

	Standards	
NJ Student Lea	NJ Student Learning Standards	
CPI	CPI Description	
6.1.4.A.1	Explain how rules and laws created by community, state, and national governments protect the	
	rights of people, help resolve conflicts, and promote the common good.	
6.1.4.A.3	Determine how "fairness," "equality," and the "common good" have influenced new laws and	
	policies over time at the local and national levels of United States government.	
6.3.4.A.1	Determine what makes a good rule or law and apply this understanding to rules and laws in your	
	school or community (e.g., bike helmet, recycling).	
6.1.4.D.16	Describe how stereotyping and prejudice can lead to conflict, using examples from the past and	
	present	
6.1.4.D.19	Explain how experiences and events may be interpreted differently by people with different	
	cultural or individual perspectives.	

C3 Framework Inquiry Arc	
Dimension 1 –Developing Questions and Planning Inquiries	Dimension 2 – Applying Disciplinary Concepts
<ul> <li>Develop, with appropriate guidance, inquiry questions linked to essential questions for the unit.</li> <li>Explain how essential questions concerning classroom rules and procedures are important.</li> <li>Develop appropriate supporting questions, and explain how these questions help answer the essential questions and can stimulate additional questions.</li> <li>Identify how the essential and supporting questions can reflect multiple points of view and influence the choice and evaluation of resources for the inquiry.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Use important concepts from civics to create and analyze rules and procedures for the classroom.</li> <li>Explain why it is necessary for classrooms to have rules.</li> <li>Explain what makes a good rule.</li> <li>Explain why rules are necessary inside and outside of school.</li> </ul>

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<i>Evidence</i> Students wil	Informed Action           vill:         Students will:	
		et arguments, explanations, and solutions to
		presenting these arguments, explanations,
viev		tions via a variety of methods and media
	and solu	
	• Children's Literature	aturing evocative ideas and perspectives.
		e strengths and weaknesses of presented
	solutions to	
		amples include:
	o Kole p behavior	laying (ex.: proper behavior vs. improper
		ative writing
	C3 Framework Indicators (K-12	
<u>C3 Indica</u>		
D1.1.K-2	Explain why the compelling question is in	
D1.2.K-2	Identify disciplinary ideas associated with	
D1.3.K-2	Identify facts and concepts associated with	
D1.4.K-2.	Make connections between supporting que	
D1.5.K-2	• Determine the kinds of sources that will be supporting questions	e helpful in answering compelling and
D2.Civ.1.K-		le in authority.
D2.Civ.2.K-		aders, play important roles in a community.
D2.Civ.3.K-		
	school.	
D2.Civ.7.K-		
D2.Civ.8.K-	<ul> <li>Describe democratic principles such as eq authority and rules.</li> </ul>	uality, fairness, and respect for legitimate
D2.Civ.9.K-		while responding attentively to others when
	addressing ideas and making decisions as	
D2.Civ.10.K		
D2.Civ.11.K		
D2.Civ.12.K		
D2.Civ.14.K		e their communities over time.
	Core Standards	<i>ti</i>
CCR #	<u>CCR Descrip</u> CCR text	
RI.1.1	Ask and answer questions about key details in a text	
RI.1.1 RI.1.2	Identify the main topic and retell key details of a text	
RI.1.4	Ask and answer questions to help determine or clarify the	he meaning of words and phrases in a text
W.1.2	Write informative/explanatory texts in which they nam	
	and provide some sense of closure	
SL.1.1	Participate in collaborative conversations with diverse peers and adults in small and larger groups	partners about grade 1 topics and texts with
SL.1.2	Ask and answer questions about key details in a text re-	ad aloud or information presented orally or
	through other media.	
	linary Connections	
Standard x.x		
CPI #	Cumulative Progress Indicator (CPI)	
Integration	of Technology	
Standard x.x		
Standard A.A	,Λ	

CPI # Cumulative Progress Indicator (CPI)
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Instructional Focus
Enduring Understanding(s)
Rules are necessary to maintain order.
• Rules are necessary to help us resolve conflicts and make sure that everyone is treated fairly.
• Rules should be fair.
• Rules can be broken under certain circumstances.
• There are legitimate examples of authority which are necessary to sustain schools and communities.
Essential Questions
• What is a rule?
• Why are rules important?
• What makes a good rule?
• Can rules ever be broken?
• Why should we follow rules?
• Why do we need rules?
• When is authority legitimate? Why is it sometimes necessary?
Themes
Citizenship
• Civics
Suggested Inquiries:
• Do we need rules?
• Can there be good rules and bad rules?
• How do you know if a rule is good or bad?
• What should happen if you break a rule?
• What do you do if you see someone break a rule?
• Can we change a rule?
• What is authority and who should have it and why?
Evidence of Learning (Assessments – parenthetical notes reference competencies)
Students develop "good" rules for the classroom.
• Review "unfair" classroom and school rules. Students can identify the problem with the rules.
• Read, discuss, compare children's literature (for example: The Sneetches and Have You Filled a Bucket
Today?)
Objectives
Students will know or learn:
• There are good and bad rules.
• Rules should be fair.
• We should all follow rules
Students will be able to:
Identify good and bad rules.
• Explain why rules are necessary.
• Explain why we should follow rules, and if this is true in all circumstances.
Contribute to the development of classroom rules.
• Identify specific rules in the school.
• Identify a rule and explain why it is important.
• Explain the reasons for consequences when not following the rules.
Identify legitimate authority.
Integration
Technology Integration and Use of Data
• Use digital technology (for example, Illustrate a classroom rule on KidPix or with iPad)

BrainPop Jr.

#### Writing Integration

• Through interactive, shared or independent writing, develop a list of class rules and consequences Competencies

- Collaboration: all
- Communication: all
- Research: Learning and evaluation, Retention and application
- Problem Solving: all
- Awareness and direction: all

### Suggested Resources

#### District-wide Resources

- Civics and Government Series (Benchmark)
  - o Rules
  - o We Have Rules
  - o Making Rules
  - o Learning the Rules
  - Play By the Rules
  - o The Power to Vote
  - o How to Vote
- Other Suggested Resources
- The Sneetches
- Have You Filled Your Bucket Today?
- <u>Know and Follow Rules</u> by C. Meiners
- <u>David Goes to School</u> by D. Shannon
- <u>Never Spit on Your Shoes by D. Cazet</u>
- Howard P. Wigglebottom series, H. Binkow



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Unit # 2	
Where I Live	
Summary and Rationale	

In order to form a deeper understanding of the importance of communities, students will begin to learn about the community they live in. In this unit, students will identify important characteristics of different communities and the characteristics of Nutley. They will also describe community leaders in our town as well as town helpers, identifying and explaining the roles of each. They will learn that Nutley is a town in New Jersey, and that New Jersey is a state in the United States. They will understand that being an active and responsible citizen can have a positive impact on a community. Through this unit they will develop a basic understanding of common community elements.

### **Recommended Pacing**

Approximately 14 days

	Standards		
NJ Student L	NJ Student Learning Standards		
<u>CPI</u>	<u>CPI Description</u>		
6.1.4.A.1.	Explain how rules and laws created by community, state, and national governments protect the rights of people, help resolve conflicts, and promote the common good.		
6.1.4.B.1.	Compare and contrast information that can be found on different types of maps and determine how the information may be useful.		
6.1.4.B.3	Explain how and when it is important to use digital geographic tools, political maps, and globes to measure distances and to determine time zones and locations using latitude and longitude.		
6.1.P.B.2	Identify, discuss, and role-play the duties of a range of community workers.		
6.1.4.C.2	Distinguish between needs and wants and explain how scarcity and choice influence decisions made by individuals, communities, and nations.		
6.1.4.C.5	Explain the role of specialization in the production and exchange of goods and services.		
6.1.4.C.6	Describe the role and relationship among households, businesses, laborers, and governments within the economic system		

C3 Framework Inquiry Arc	
Dimension 1 – Developing Questions and Planning	Dimension 2 – Applying Disciplinary Concepts
Inquiries	
• Develop, with appropriate guidance,	Students will:
<ul> <li>inquiry questions linked to essential questions for the unit.</li> <li>Explain how essential questions concerning classroom rules and procedures are important.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Use important concepts from civics to analyze and evaluate the roles of important community leaders.</li> <li>Explain the role of community leaders</li> <li>Apply knowledge of the community to determine important characteristics of communities.</li> </ul>
• Develop appropriate supporting questions, and explain how these questions help answer the essential questions and can	• Use age-appropriate economic concepts to explain specialization of labor, exchanges, and the contributions of different sectors to the community

Identification     Identification     Identification     interview	Ate additional questions. by how the essential and supporting ons can reflect multiple points of and influence the choice and tion of resources for the inquiry.	economy.
Dimension 3 – Evaluating Sources and Using Evidence         • Gather relevant information from multiple resources representing a wide range of views         • Possible examples include: • Children's Literature • BrainPop - communities		<ul> <li>Dimension 4 – Communicating Conclusions and Taking Informed Action</li> <li>Construct arguments, explanations, and solutions to inquiries, presenting these arguments, explanations, and solutions via a variety of methods and media while featuring evocative ideas and perspectives.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Critique the strengths and weaknesses of presented solutions to inquiries.</li> <li>Possible examples include: o Informative writing</li> </ul>
	C3 Framework	Indicators (K-12 Pathways)
C3 Indicator		<u>C3 Indicator Description</u>
D1.1.K-2		lling question is important to the student
D1.2.K-2		as associated with a compelling question.
D1.3.K-2		pts associated with a supporting question
D1.4.K-2.		een supporting questions and compelling questions
D1.5.K-2		
D2.Civ.1.K-2.	Describe roles and response	onsibilities of people in authority
D2.Civ.2.K-2.		not just official leaders, play important roles in a community.
D2.Civ.10.K-2		t of view with others' perspectives
D2.Civ.14.K-2	p	ve tried to improve their communities over time.
Common Core	1 1	
CCR		CCR Description
	CCR text	<u>e en b tompion</u>
	Ask and answer questions about key	details in a text
	Identify the main topic and retell key	
	<u> </u>	b individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of information in a text.
		termine or clarify the meaning of words and phrases in a text.
		n which they name a topic, supply some facts about the topic,
	and provide some sense of closure.	
SL.1.1		
Interdisciplinar		
Standard x.x		
CPI #	Cumulative Progress Indicator (CPI)	
Integration of 7	Fechnology	
Standard x.x		
	Cumulative Progress Indicator (CPI)	
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	Instru	uctional Focus
Enduring Unde	erstanding(s)	

- Everyone is part of a larger neighborhood and community.
- A community is a group of people working together towards the same goal.
- Communities have leaders and helpers that contribute to the wellbeing of the community.

#### **Essential Questions**

- What is a community?
- Who are the members of my community?

#### Themes

- Citizenship
- Civics

#### Suggested Inquiries:

- What are the types of helpers in my community?
- What is the best way to provide for my community's needs?
- How do money and exchanges help provide for my community's needs?
- Who are the important leaders in my community?
- How is my community similar to another (ex: my school)?
- What does my community look like?

Evidence of Learning (Assessments – parenthetical notes reference competencies)

- Name the important people in the school (principal, secretary, school nurse, custodians, other teachers)
- Name the important people in the community (mayor, commissioner, etc.)
- Informational writing (for example, develop a book about our town or a "Who Helps us at School?" book)

#### Objectives

Students will know or learn:

- A community can be a classroom, school, neighborhood, town.
- Community members must work together.

Students will be able to:

- Identify their community
- Identify community leaders and helpers
- Explain the role of community leaders and helpers

### Integration

Technology Integration and Use of Data

- Listen and read stories from community workers at http://teacher.scholastic.com/commclub
- BrainPopJr.com

#### Writing Integration

- Students can write a persuasive letter to a school or community member asking for change.
- Students can develop an informational book about school or town community.

Competencies

- Collaboration: all
- Communication: all
- Research: all
- Problem solving: all
- Self Awareness and Direction: all

#### Suggested Resources

#### District-wide Resources

- Communities (Benchmark)
- Communities (National Geographic Theme Pact)
  - Communities
  - A Good Place to Live
  - $\circ \quad \mbox{My Town Used To Be Small}$
  - Santo and I
  - Guess Who We Saw?

Other Suggested Resources

- <u>My Community</u> by J. Robertson
- <u>On the Town</u> by J. Caseley
- <u>Helpers in My Community</u> by B. Kalman
- <u>Communities</u> by G. Saunders-Smith
- Everyone Makes a Difference: A story about Community by C. Leany and P. Wilks
- <u>A Day in the Life of a Teacher</u> by L. Hayword
- <u>School Principals</u> by T. Boraas
- http://teacher.scholastic.com/commclub/ 15 nonfiction read-along books on community helpers from Scholastic. Listen and Read activities tell their stories through words, images, and sound.



(Grade 1)

Unit # 3 My World on the Map

### Summary and Rationale

Geographic inquiry helps students understand and appreciate their place in the world. Students with an understanding of geographic reasoning are able to use spatial reasoning when asking and answering questions, apply these skills to geographical representations on maps, and grow their spatial perspective. Students must learn about where they are in the world and how this effects the way they live.

### **Recommended Pacing**

Approximately 14 Days

	Standards	
NJ Student Learning Standards		
<u>CPI</u>	<u>CPI Description</u>	
6.1.4.A.14	Describe how the world is divided into many nations that have their own governments,	
	languages, customs, and laws.	
6.1.4.A.15	Explain how and why it is important that people from diverse cultures collaborate to find	
	solutions to community, state, national, and global challenges.	
6.1.4.B.1	Compare and contrast information that can be found on different types of maps, and determine	
	when the information may be useful.	
6.1.4.B.2	Use physical and political maps to explain how the location and spatial relationship of places in	
	New Jersey, the United States, and other areas, worldwide, have contributed to cultural diffusion	
	and economic interdependence.	
6.1.4.B.4	Describe how landforms, climate and weather, and availability of resources have impacted where	
	and how people live and work in different regions of New Jersey and the United States.	
6.1.4.B.5	Describe how human interaction impacts the environment in New Jersey and the United States	
6.1.4.C.2	Distinguish between needs and wants and explain how scarcity and choice influence decisions made by individuals, communities, and nations.	
6.1.4.C.9	Compare and contrast how access to and use of resources affects people across the world differently.	
C3 Framewo	rk Inquiry Arc	
Dimension 1 -	-Developing Questions and Planning Dimension 2 – Applying Disciplinary Concepts	

Dimension 1 –Developing Questions and Planning Inquiries	Dimension 2 – Applying Disciplinary Concepts
Students will:	Students will:
<ul> <li>Develop, with appropriate guidance, inquiry questions linked to essential questions for the unit.</li> <li>Develop appropriate supporting questions, and explain how these questions help</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Explain how maps and globes are used in the world.</li> <li>Explain the importance, similarities, and differences between maps and globes.</li> <li>Apply knowledge of map features to construct a simple map.</li> </ul>
answer the essential questions and can	

stimu	late additional questions.	
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• Identify how the essential and supporting		
questions can reflect multiple points of		
view and influence the choice and		
evalua	ation of resources for the inquiry.	
	- Evaluating Sources and Using	Dimension 4 – Communicating Conclusions and Taking
Evidence		Informed Action
Students will:		Students will:
	r relevant information from multiple	• Construct arguments, explanations, and solutions to
views	rces representing a wide range of	inquiries, presenting these arguments, explanations,
	ole examples include:	and solutions via a variety of methods and media
• 10551	Children's literature	while featuring evocative ideas and perspectives.
•	Brainpop	
•	Examples of maps/globes	• Critique the strengths and weaknesses of presented
-	B.0000	solutions to inquiries. •Possible examples include:
		o Construction of map (example: map of school)
		Informative writing
		Indicators (K-12 Pathways)
<u>C3 Indicato</u>		C3 Indicator Description
D2.Geo.1.K-2		, and other representations of familiar places.
D2.Geo.2.K-2		ographs, and other representations to describe places and the
D2.Geo.3.K-2	relationships and interac	
D2.Ge0.3.K-2	• Use maps, globes, and c environmental character	other simple geographic models to identify cultural and
Common Co		
CCR		CCR Description
RL.1.5	Add drawing so other visual displays feelings.	s to descriptions when appropriate to clarify ideas, thoughts and
RI.1.4		termine or clarify the meaning of words and phrases in a text
RI.1.5		o locate key facts or information in a text.
W.1.2	Write informative/explanatory texts	in which they name a topic, supply some facts about the topic,
CI 1 1	and provide some sense of closure.	tione mithe dimensioner menter and
SL.1.1 W.1.6	Participate in collaborative conversa Use a variety of digital tools to produ	
W.1.0 W.1.7	Participate in shared research and wr	
SL.1.4	·	events with relevant details, expressing ideas and feelings
	clearly.	
Interdisciplina	ary Connections	
Standard x.x		
CPI #	Cumulative Progress Indicator (CPI)	
Integration of	Technology	
Standard x.x		
CPI #	Cumulative Progress Indicator (CPI)	
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		ructional Focus
Enduring Und		
·	and globes are important tools that te	
•		re representations of local and distant places.
<ul> <li>Maps</li> </ul>	and globes include features such as s	cale, geographic tools such as physical features (mountains,

#### **Essential Questions**

- How can I best use a map or globe?
- What is the difference between a map and a globe?
- What do maps and globes tell us?
- Why are maps and globes important?
- What are the four cardinal directions?
- How can we use maps to locate different places?

#### Themes

#### Geography

### Suggested Inquiries:

- Why do we need maps and globes?
- How can a map or globe help me know where I am or where to go?
- How can I make my own map?
- How does the information on a map/globe help me make decisions?

Evidence of Learning (Assessments – parenthetical notes reference competencies)

- Follow written directions to find specific places on a map
- Follow oral directions to find specific places on a map
- Develop a map of the classroom
- Compare/contrast (for example, a Venn Diagram comparing and contrasting maps and globes)
- Develop a map (students can develop a map of the classroom or a map with the route that students take to school using map symbols)
- Create a map of town, placing home, school and other public buildings on the map.
- Create two maps from their environment (ex: school and home). Identify what is similar and different about the two maps.

#### Objectives

Students will know or learn:

- Maps and globes are different.
- Maps and globes can help us determine where we live, what is close to us.
- The four cardinal directions (north, south, east, west)

Students will be able to:

- Identify a map and globe
- Explain the difference between maps and globes
- Identify the four cardinal directions
- Explain the function of a map
- Identify specific places on a map
- Identify and use a map key.

### Integration

### Technology Integration and Use of Data

• Digital Resources (example: create a map of the classroom and school with KidPix or iPad)

### Writing Integration

• Informational writing (example: written directions to a specific location)

#### Competencies

- Collaboration: all
- Communication: all
- Research: all
- Problem solving: all
- Self Awareness and Direction: all

### Suggested Resources

#### District Wide Resources

• Block Buddies Atlas Program

Other Suggested Resources

- Follow that Map!: A First Book of Mapping Skills by S. Ritchie
- <u>Me On The Map</u> by J. Sweeney
- There's a Map on My Lap!: All About Maps by T. Rabe
- Mapping Penny's World by L. Leedy
- This is the Way We Go to School by E. Baer
- <u>Mouse Views: What the Class Pet Saw</u> by B. McMillan



(Grade 1)

Unit #: 4 Wants and Needs Summary and Rationale In order to make an effective economic decision, students need to understand how humans consider cost and benefits with the ultimate goal of making decisions that will enable people and societies to be as well off as possible. The first step is to understand the difference between a need and a want and how this information helps people choose resources. In this unit, students will identify and explain the differences between wants and needs. They will understand that wants are unlimited. They will begin to understand that sometimes you must choose between a want and need and you cannot always have both. Recommended Pacing Approximately 14 Days Standards NJ Student Learning Standards

CPI	CPI Description	
6.1.4.C.2	1.4.C.2 Distinguish between needs and wants and explain how scarcity and choice influence decisions made by individuals, communities, and nations.	
6.1.4.C.1	Apply opportunity cost to evaluate individuals' decisions, including ones made in their communities.	
6.1.4.C.4	Describe how supply and demand influence price and output of products.	
6.1.4.C.10	Explain the role of money, savings, debt, and investment in individuals' lives.	

#### C3 Framework Inquiry Arc

C5 Framework inquiry Arc	
Dimension 1 –Developing Questions and Planning Inquiries	Dimension 2 – Applying Disciplinary Concepts
<ul> <li>Students will: <ul> <li>Develop, with appropriate guidance, inquiry questions linked to essential questions for the unit.</li> <li>Explain how essential questions concerning classroom rules and procedures are important.</li> <li>Develop appropriate supporting questions, and explain how these questions help answer the essential questions.</li> <li>Identify how the essential and supporting questions can reflect multiple points of view and influence the choice and evaluation of resources for the inquiry.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Students will:</li> <li>Use important concepts from economics to analyze and evaluate the importance of needs and wants</li> <li>Explain the difference between a need and a want.</li> <li>Apply knowledge of needs and wants to make informed decisions.</li> </ul>
Dimension 3 – Evaluating Sources and Using Evidence	Dimension 4 – Communicating Conclusions and Taking Informed Action

resou views • Possi	ble examples include: Children's Literature	<ul> <li>e Students will:</li> <li>Construct arguments, explanations, and solutions to inquiries, presenting these arguments, explanations, and solutions via a variety of methods and media while featuring evocative ideas and perspectives.</li> <li>Critique the strengths and weaknesses of presented solutions to inquiries.</li> <li>Possible examples include: <ul> <li>Pursuasive writing</li> <li>O</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	C3 Framewo	rk Indicators (K-12 Pathways)	
C3 Indicate		C3 Indicator Description	
D1.1.K-2	Explain why the com	pelling question is important to the student	
D1.2.K-2	Identify disciplinary i	deas associated with a compelling question	
D1.3.K-2	Identify facts and con	cepts associated with a supporting question.	
D1.4.K-2.	Make connections be	tween supporting questions and compelling questions.	
D1.5.K-2.	Determine the kinds of supporting questions	of sources that will be helpful in answering compelling and	
D2.Eco.1.K-2		necessitates decision making.	
D2.Eco.2.K-2		and costs of making various personal decisions.	
D2.Eco.3.K-2	2. • Describe the skills an	d knowledge required to produce certain goods and services.	
D2.Eco.10.K	-2. • Explain why people s	ave.	
Common Co	re Standards		
CCR		CCR Description	
RL.1.1	Ask and answer questions about k		
RL.1.2		s, and demonstrate understanding of their central message or	
RL.1.3	lesson	major events in a story, using key details.	
RL.1.7		ory to describe its characters, setting, or events.	
RL.1.9	Compare and contrast the treatment		
W.1.2	• •	t in which they name a topic, supply some facts about the topic	
SL.1.1		sations with diverse partners in small and larger groups	
SL.1.4		d events with relevant details, expressing ideas and feelings	
SL.1.6	Produce complete sentences		
	ary Connections		
Standard x.x			
CPI #	Cumulative Progress Indicator (CF	PI)	
Integration of	f Technology		
Standard x.x	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
CPI #	Cumulative Progress Indicator (CI	PI)	
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	Ins	structional Focus	
Enduring Und	derstanding(s)		
People make decisions based on their needs and wants.			
• Needs are what we must have to survive (food, shelter, clothing)			
Wants are everything we might want to have but do not really need.			
Essential Que			
What	t are wants and needs?		

٠	What is the difference between a want and a need?
Them	es
٠	Economics
Sugge	ested Inquiries:
٠	What do you need? What do you want?
•	How do wants and needs affect me?
٠	What choices/decisions do you need to make in your life?
Evide	nce of Learning (Assessments – parenthetical notes reference competencies)
•	Create a T-Chart of Needs and Wants. (You can have students use magazine pictures distinguishing
	between the two to paste in the appropriate column)
٠	Writing (develop a need/want for home and school and describe each)
•	Persuasive writing
Object	tives
	nts will know or learn:
	eeds and wants are different.
	Vants are unlimited
	nts will be able to:
• D	istinguish between and identify needs and wants
Taahn	Integration and Use of Data
	rainPopJr.com – Needs and Wants
	ng Integration
	Vrite a persuasive letter (for example, to a parent or school leader requesting something that the students wan
	need.)
	etencies
• C	ollaboration: all
• Co	ommunication: all
• R	esearch: all
	roblem solving: all
• Se	elf Awareness and Direction: all
_	Suggested Resources
	<u>ct-wide Resources</u>
• Pr	roviding Goods Theme Pack (National Geographic)
	• Providing Goods
	• From Field to Florist
	• What's On the Truck?
	• Grandpa's Castanets
	• Peggy's Pickles
• Pr	roducing Goods Theme Pack (National Geographic)
	• Producing Goods
	<ul> <li>Wool Keeps Me Warm</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Cotton Comes From Plants</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Curious Charlotte</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Our Lucky Day</li> </ul>
• V	irtual Economics 4.5 (flash drive)/EconEd link https://www.econedlink.org/
Other	Suggested Passures
	<u>Suggested Resources</u> eeds and Wants by S. Ring
	utgers University <i>EconKids</i> http://econkids.rutgers.edu/
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(Grade or Course)

## Unit 5: My Country

### Summary and Rationale

Understanding and evaluating change over time is a key feature of historical thinking. It involves discussing why events occur and how they shape our lives today. Historical inquiry requires knowledge of significant events, individuals, groups, and ideas. Developing historical knowledge and connecting it with historical investigations helps students remember the content more because it holds meaning, and also helps them to become better thinkers.

During this ongoing unit, students will learn that people in the United States celebrate many different holidays and occasions. These celebrations honor people in history (ex.: U.S. presidents), events from other cultures (ex.: St. Patrick's Day), or influential events in our country's history (ex.: Thanksgiving). They will understand that these events, people, and ideas shape how we live our lives today.

### **Recommended Pacing**

Ongoing throughout the year

#### Standards

NJ Student Learning Standards		
<u>CPI</u>	<u>CPI Description</u>	
6.1.4.A.3	Determine how "fairness," "equality," and the "common good" have influenced new laws and	
	policies over time at the local and national levels of United States government.	
6.1.4.D.12	Explain how folklore and the actions of famous historical and fictional characters from New	
	Jersey and other regions of the United States contributed to the American national heritage.	
6.1.4.D.13	Describe how culture is expressed through and influences by the behavior of people.	
6.1.4.D.14	.4.D.14 Trace how the American identity evolved over time	
6.1.4.D.17	Explain the role of historical symbols, monuments, and holidays and how they affect the	
	American identity.	

C3 Framework Inquiry Arc			
Dimension 1 –Developing Questions and Planning	Dimension 2 – Applying Disciplinary Concepts		
Inquiries			
Students will:	Students will:		
<ul> <li>Develop, with appropriate guidance, inquiry questions linked to essential questions for the unit.</li> <li>Explain how essential questions concerning classroom rules and procedures are important.</li> <li>Develop appropriate supporting questions, and explain how these questions help answer the essential questions and can stimulate additional questions.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Use important concepts from economics to analyze and evaluate different holidays, historical events, and figures.</li> <li>Explain why we acknowledge and celebrate different holidays and events.</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Identify how the essential and supporting</li> </ul>			

view and	ns can reflect multiple points of ad influence the choice and ion of resources for the inquiry.		
<ul> <li>Dimension 3 – Evaluating Sources and Using Evidence</li> <li>Gather relevant information from multiple resources representing a wide range of views</li> <li>Possible examples include: <ul> <li>Children's Literature</li> <li>BrainPop, Scholastic, KidPix</li> <li>Thematic studies (holidays, events)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Dimension 4 – Communicating Conclusions and Taking Informed Action</li> <li>Students will: <ul> <li>Construct arguments, explanations, and solutions to inquiries, presenting these arguments, explanations, and solutions via a variety of methods and media while featuring evocative ideas and perspectives.</li> <li>Critique the strengths and weaknesses of presented solutions to inquiries.</li> <li>Possible examples include: <ul> <li>Informational writing</li> </ul> </li> </ul></li></ul>	
	C3 Framework Indica	tors (K-12 Pathways)	
C3 Indicator	<u></u>	Indicator Description	
D1.1.K-2		uestion is important to the student	
D1.2.K-2	Identify disciplinary ideas asso	ociated with a compelling question	
D1.3.K-2		ociated with a supporting question.	
D1.4.K-2.	Determine the kinds of sources     supporting questions	s that will be helpful in answering compelling and	
D1.5.K-2	Determine the kinds of sources     supporting questions	s that will be helpful in answering compelling and	
D2.His.1.K-2.	Create a chronological sequent	ce of multiple events.	
D2.His.2.K-2.	Compare life in the past to life		
D2.His.3.K-2.			
D2.His.4.K-2.	Compare perspectives of peop	le in the past to those of people in the present	
D2.His.6.K-2.	Compare different accounts of		
D2.His.9.K-2.	Identify different kinds of hist		
D2.His.10.K-2.	· · · · ·		
D2.His.11.K-2.			
D2.His.14.K-2.	1	an event or development in the past.	
D2.His.16.K-2.	development.	easons might be more likely than others to explain a historical event or	
Common Core			
CCR		CCR Description	
	CCR text		
	Gather information from provided sources	• •	
	Participate in collaborative conversations w		
c	Ask and answer questions about what a speaker says in order to gather additional information or clarify something that is not understood		
c	Describe people, places, things, and events with relevant details, expressing ideas and feelings clearly		
	Add drawings or other visual displays to descriptions when appropriate to clarify ideas, thoughts and feelings		

Interdisciplinary Connections			
Standard x.x			
CPI # Cumulative Progress Indicator (CPI)			
Integration of Technology			
Standard x.x			
CPI #     Cumulative Progress Indicator (CPI)			
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Instructional Focus			
Enduring Understanding(s)			
• American holidays have historical significance and are celebrated with different traditions and symbols.			
Essential Questions			
• What is the significance of key American symbols and holidays?			
• Why do we have national symbols?			
• How do we celebrate the symbols, heroes and freedoms of our country?			
• Who are some famous historical and fictional characters and how did they shape the United States?			
• Why are our national symbols, monuments, and holidays important?			
Themes			
History			
• Civics			
Suggested Inquiries:			
How do we celebrate in our country?			
• Who should be considered a national hero?			
• Who are historical figures in the United States? What did they do for the country?			
• Why do we have national symbols?			
• What symbols best represent our country?			
• Who is an "American"?			
Evidence of Learning (Assessments – parenthetical notes reference competencies)			
Thematic activities (holiday tradition activities)			
• Identification of American figures (for example, look at a picture and be able to identify George			
Washington, Abraham Lincoln, etc.)			
• Writing (example: an informational booklet about a national symbol, holiday, or American figure)			
Objectives			
Students will know or learn:			
• How culture is expressed through and influences the behavior of people (How we celebrate holidays)			
• The role of historical symbols, monuments, and holidays and how they affect the American identity.			
Students will be able to:			
Describe the meanings of different American holidays			
Integration			
Technology Integration and Use of Data			
• BrainPopJr.			
Scholastic News			
Writing Integration			
• Informational writing (for example, write an informational book about a national symbol, famous American			
figure, or holiday).			
Competencies			
Collaboration: all			
Communication: all			
Research: all			
<ul> <li>Problem solving: all</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Self Awareness and Direction: all</li> </ul>			

### Suggested Resources

#### District-wide Resources

- Civics and Government Kit (Benchmark)
  - The Statue of Liberty
  - What is a Good Citizen?
  - Who Works in Government?
  - o Patriotic Citizens
  - Being Patriotic
  - A Volunteer Helps
  - The Red Cross

Other Suggested Resources

• Thematic books about holidays, American figures, etc.