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August & September	16.A.3b,c 16.D.3 18.B.3b	Unit #1 How did cultural differences between the Northern states and the Southern states lead to a civil war between these two sections? Content: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Slavery</li> <li>• Agriculture vs. Industry</li> <li>• White dominated society</li> <li>• <u>Roots</u></li> <li>• Compromises</li> <li>• Constitutional Issues</li> <li>• Presidency and its effect on the crises</li> </ul> Skills: Outlining Inferring Internet Use	Objective Test Historical Fiction Textbook Outlining

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September and October	14.B.3 14.A.3 14.C.3	Unit #2 The Civil War  Content: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Glory</u></li> <li>• Textbook</li> <li>• <u>Gettysburg</u></li> <li>• Fort Sumter</li> <li>• Secession</li> <li>• 1861-1865</li> <li>• Soldier life</li> <li>• Horrors of war</li> <li>• Lincoln's Generals</li> <li>• Assassination</li> </ul> Skills: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Writing</li> <li>• Internet</li> <li>• Outlining</li> </ul>	Cause/Effect Relationship Objective Quizzes Concept Maps Discussion of <u>Glory</u> Essay Historical Fictional Writing
November	16.D.3a 16.D.3b	Unit #3 Reconstruction  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Republican party</li> <li>• Carpetbaggers/Scalawags</li> <li>• 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> Amendments</li> </ul>	Outlining Research Essay Historical Role Play (Skits) <u>Rosewood</u>



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December January	18C.3b	Unit #7 Immigration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promised land</li> <li>• Ellis Island</li> <li>• Rise of Cities</li> <li>• Diversity in America</li> </ul>	Guest Speakers (real life immigrants) Historical Fiction
January February	16.B.3d	Unit #8 Politics and Reform <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teddy Roosevelt</li> <li>• Muckrakers</li> <li>• Womens Suffrage</li> <li>• NAACP</li> </ul>	Objective Tests Essay
	16.B.3d	Unit #9 Becoming a World Power <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hawaii // Alaska</li> <li>• Imperialism</li> <li>• Spanish American War                Yellow Journalism                "Remember the Maine"                New Island Possessions</li> <li>• World War I                Causes – Long term // Short term                Neutrality                Woodrow Wilson</li> </ul>	Outlining Collage/Diorama Power Point Presentation Role Play – News cast  Objective Test

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February March	15.D.3c 15.E.3b 15.C.3 16.E.3c	Stalemate Involvement Treaty of Versailles League of Nations  Unit #10 Roaring Twenties <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Calvin Coolidge</li> <li>• Consumer Buying Credit</li> <li>Henry Ford</li> <li>• Technological Advances</li> <li>• Social Changes</li> <li>Women</li> <li>Sports / Literature / Music</li> <li>Prohibition</li> </ul>	Causes/Effect Relation Analyze impact on American society
March	15.A.3a 15.A.3d	Unit #11 The Great Depression <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• President Hoover</li> <li>• Abuse of Stocks // Shares</li> <li>Panic of 1929</li> <li>Stock Market Crash</li> <li>• Causes of Depression</li> <li>Farm Debt</li> <li>Consumer abuse of installment Buying</li> <li>More products than consumers</li> <li>Decline of trade</li> </ul>	Outlining Stock market game Guest Speakers Objective Test

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March/April	16.B.3d 16.A.3a 16.B.3c	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hoover's "Relief" Bonus Army Too Little Too late</li> <li>• Franklin Roosevelt A ray of hope Fireside Chats The New Deal               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reactions</li> <li>- Programs</li> <li>- Effectiveness</li> </ul> </li> </ul> Difficult Times for America <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Expanding Role of Government</li> </ul> Unit # 12 World War II <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Rise of Dictators Hitler Totalitarianism Axis Powers</li> <li>2. Aggression Germany's attacks Munich Conference Appeasement Attack of Poland</li> </ol>	Essay – compare / contrast Hoover's and Roosevelt  Evaluate public's reaction to New Deal  Research Paper  Historical Fiction from the perspective of a European Jew

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April		3. War / U.S. Neutrality 4. Isolationism 5. Pearl Harbor War <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. the Home Front</li> <li>2. Employment on the rise</li> <li>3. Women's Role</li> <li>4. Rationing</li> </ol> Holocaust Genocide Horrors of Concentration Camps  Victory D Day Germany's Surrender War in the Pacific Culture of Japan and refusal of surrender Atomic Bomb  U.S. rises as a great Economic // Military Power  United Nations	Objective Test  Analyze German society's attitude toward Jews  Newspaper Article writing "NEWS FROM THE FRONT"  Persuasive Essay - Giving three reasons stating opinion of on effectiveness of the United Nations

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		<p>The Cold War</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Korean War</li> <li>• The Space Race (Sputnik)</li> <li>• The Vietnam War</li> <li>• The Cuban Missile Crisis</li> </ul>	<p>A visit from Korean War Veterans</p> <p>Students will evaluate the rationale for the Cold War.</p> <p>Narrative Essay – Describe a different scenario/outcome of the Cuban Missile Crisis.</p>
May	14.A.3 14.B.3 14.F.3b	<p>United States and Illinois Constitution Unit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preamble</li> <li>• Articles</li> <li>• Amendments</li> <li>• Three branches</li> <li>• Checks and Balances</li> </ul>	<p>Create graph which structures the three parts of the Constitution</p> <p>Analyze advantages of larger population in the context of representation</p> <p>Newspaper article</p> <p>Persuasive Essay – How do amendments affect you as an 8<sup>th</sup> grader?</p> <p>Objective Test</p>