

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Twentieth Century America History



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Twentieth Century American History Course Overview

Twentieth Century American History is a history elective for high school students interested in examining American history during a century of change, continuity, and conflicts.

Students will examine America's economic, political, governmental, cultural, and technological growing pains during the twentieth century. They will also consider the causes and effects of national and international cooperation, competition, and conflict.

In attaining these goals, students will develop insight and perspective on the themes and patterns of history and a greater understanding of today's world.

- Unit 1: Students will examine the major economic, political, and social changes of the 1800s including: The Industrial Revolution, urbanization, and immigration.
- Unit 2: Students will explore the effects of the late 1800s by looking at all aspects of Progressivism.
- Unit 3: Students will study issues that occurred after World War I, including the Russian Revolution, the Red Scare, and the three presidents following Woodrow Wilson.
- Unit 4: Students will obtain knowledge on World War II, the Cold War, Eisenhower, and post-war American society.
- Unit 5: Students will identify the Civil Rights Movement, the rise of conservatism, post-Cold War foreign policy, and the economic and social issues facing contemporary America.

Twentieth Century American History	Unit 1: Coming of Age	
	Assignments	
	1. Course Overview	11. Quiz 2: Immigration and Urbanization
	2. Entering the Industrial Age	12. Women's Roles in Society
	3. Industrialists and Big Business	13. Race Relations and Discrimination
	4. The American Workforce	14. Education and Entertainment
	5. Farmers and Populists	15. Quiz 3: American Society
	6. Quiz 1: The Industrial United States	16. Special Project*
	7. Immigration at the Turn of the Century	17. Review
	8. Corruption and Political Machines	18. Test
	9. Growth of Cities	19. Alternate Test*
	10. Project: Immigrant Experience	20. Glossary and Credits

Twentieth Century American History	Unit 2: Modern America Emerges	
	Assignments	
	1. Progressivism	11. The United States Enters the War
	2. Progressive Reforms	12. Supporting the War Effort
	3. Leaders and Limitations of Progressivism	13. Wilson's Peace Plan
	4. Quiz 1: Progressive Era	14. Quiz 3: World War I
	5. Global Imperialism	15. Special Project*
	6. American Expansionism	16. Review
	7. The United States as a World Power	17. Test
	8. Project: Panama Canal	18. Alternate Test*
	9. Quiz 2: American Imperialism	19. Glossary and Credits
	10. Causes of World War I	20. The United States Enters the War

Unit 3: Boom to Bust		
Twentieth Century American History	Assignments	
	1. Russian Revolution	12. World Is Depressed
	2. Red Scare	13. Quiz 3: Great Depression
	3. Return to Normalcy	14. A New Deal for Americans
	4. Rise of a Consumer Culture	15. Deal or No Deal
	5. Quiz 1: Postwar Issues	16. Project: New Deal Programs
	6. Prohibition	17. Quiz 4: New Deal
	7. Flappers and Popular Culture	18. Special Project*
	8. Harlem Renaissance	19. Review
	9. Quiz 2: Roaring Twenties	20. Test
	10. Uncle Sam Is Depressed	21. Alternate Test*
	11. Devastation of the Depression	22. Glossary and Credits

Unit 4: World War II and the Cold War		
Twentieth Century American History	Assignments	
	1. Isolationism and Nationalism	13. Cold War Chills Americans
	2. Moving from Isolationism to War	14. Quiz 3: Cold War
	3. Quiz 1: Path to War	15. Truman Show
	4. Americans Mobilize	16. Eisenhower Years
	5. European Theatre	17. Nifty Fifties
	6. Holocaust	18. Quiz 4: Post-World War II America
	7. Pacific Theatre	19. Special Project*
	8. America's Greatest Generation	20. Review
	9. Quiz 2: Uncle Sam at War	21. Test
	10. Origins of the Cold War	22. Alternate Test*
	11. China and Korea	23. Glossary and Credits
	12. Superpowers Compete for Influence	

Unit 5: Change, Continuity, and Conflict		
Twentieth Century American History	Assignments	
	1. Challenging Segregation	11. Immigration and Migration
	2. Civil Rights Movement	12. Social and Religious Changes
	3. Era of Activism	13. Women's Movement
	4. Quiz 1: Civil Rights and Social Change	14. Quiz 3: Contemporary America
	5. Trouble in the White House	15. Special Project*
	6. Conservative Revolution	16. Review
	7. Post-Cold War Foreign Policy	17. Test
	8. Project: Comparison Matrix	18. Alternate Test*
	9. Quiz 2: Foreign Policy and Domestic Politics	19. Glossary and Credits
	10. Global Economy	

Unit 5: Change, Continuity, and Conflict		
	Assignments	
	1. Review	3. Alternate Exam
	2. Exam	

(*) Indicates alternative assignment