

Grade 4	
September	Geography / Map Skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elements of a map • Compass rose, index, scale, key symbols, grids • Latitude and longitude • Time zone maps • Resources and regions of New York State
October	Native Americans of New York State <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Culture of the Iroquois and Algonquians • Iroquois Confederacy • Geographic factors and environmental influences on Native American settlements • Contributions of Native Americans
November – December	Three Worlds Meet in the Americas New York During The Colonial Period <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explorers of New York State • Impact of European exploration on social, cultural, economic, political, and geographic systems • Migration of people to the local region and state • Cultural contributions of Dutch, English and French colonists in America • Political, social, and economic change of European settlements and Native American nations • There were many different ways of making a living during colonial times • Colonial societies were organized to answer fundamental economic questions
January	The Revolutionary War in New York State <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social, Political, and Economic causes of the Revolution • Lasting effect on the Power of the Iroquois League • How Native Americans influenced the war • Strategic location • Geographic features that influenced

	<p>the war</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loyalists and Patriots • Saratoga and other battles • Leaders of the Revolution • Effects of the war
February	<p>The New Nation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundations for American Democracy; Mayflower Compact, <u>Declaration of Independence</u>, <u>New York State Constitution</u>, <u>United States Constitution</u> • <u>Bill of Rights</u> • Shared values, practices, and traditions unite all Americans
March	<p>Industrial Growth and Expansion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erie Canal, railroads, communication, technology • Immigration • Industrialization • Reasons why New York State became a leading manufacturing center • Industrial Revolution
April	<p>Urbanization: Economic, Political and Social Impacts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People of New York State are economically interdependent • Labor Movement - Unions - Child Labor • Public Education • After WWII, thousands of people moved from rural areas to the urban areas of New York State
May	<p>The purpose of government: Local and State</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The basic democratic values of American democracy include an understanding of fundamental concepts: individual rights to life, liberty, property, and the pursuit of happiness, etc. • Fundamental Values and principals of American democracy are expressed in the <u>Declaration of Independence</u>, <u>Preamble to the U.S. Constitution</u>, <u>Bill of Rights</u>, <u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>,

	<p>speeches, songs and stories</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local Government• State Government• Citizenship• People elect and/or appoint leaders who make, enforce, or interpret laws• Citizens participate in political decision making and problem solving at the local, state, and national levels
June	<p>New York State and the Capital Region Today</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Culture• Economics• Diversity• Geography• Transportation• Heritage