Grade 8	Unit 2:	The Nation	Expands
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Enduring Understandings/Skill Focus	Assessment Plan		
• Thinking of his election as "the Revolution of 1800," President Jefferson hoped to make far reaching changes in government.	Performance Tasks:		
Having acquired a vast expanse of western territory, Jefferson sent Meriwether Lewis and William Clark to explore the region.	 Essays Collaborative/Group Projects Portfolio Oral Questioning		
 Conflicts with the British at sea and Native Americans in the West led to the War of 1812. 	 Presentations Short Answer Questions Simulations/Reenactments/Role Play 		
 Although the War of 1812 did not resolve British-American disputes, many Americans considered the war a victory. 			
 Congress, the President and the Supreme Court all acted to increase federal authority. 	Analyze and interpret primary source documents		
• By issuing the Monroe Doctrine the United States signaled its interests in shaping events in the Americas.	Identify geographic features and interpret their significance Continuous to the continuous co		
• There was a growing spirit of democracy during Andrew Jackson's presidency.	 Create an argument for opposing viewpoints Determine the sequence of events and their importance 		
• Despite a Supreme Court ruling in their favor, Native Americans of the Southeast were forced to move.	Distinguish myth vs. reality in historical documents		
 Andrew Jackson fought the Bank of the United States and stood firm against a state's threat to secede. 	Critique various sources for historical accuracy		
By the mid-1800's, many Americans wanted the nation to extend westward to the Pacific Ocean.	 Understand the existence of more than one perspective on any historical event Identify and evaluate bias in historical documents 		
To journey westward, traders and settlers had to travel along difficult and	Take an active position in historical debate/arguments		
dangerous trails.	Identify and accurately describe complex ethical dilemmas		
 The Texas War for Independence led to conflict and war between the United States and Mexico. 	 Recognize and interpret historical dilemmas while making connections with modern day events 		
 While the Mormons migrated to Utah, other settlers flocked to California in search of gold. 	Present/demonstrate information in a manner which reveals the understanding of material		

Students will consider the following questions: What forced unite and divide a nation?

How did the events of the Jefferson Era strengthen the nation?

- How did Jefferson's election herald a new era in American government?
- How did the US add the Louisiana Territory?
- How did challenges at home and abroad led the US to declaring war on Great Britain?
- What happened as the US and Great Britain went to battle in the War of 1812?

What forces and events affected national unity and growth?

- How did the US peacefully settle disputes with foreign powers?
- How did a rising sense of national unity allow some regional differences to be set aside and national interests to be served?
- How did a new American identity form as the US grew?

What impact did Andrew Jackson's presidency have on the nation?

- How were the election of Andrew Jackson and the expansion of voting rights reflective of a growth in the power of the American people?
- What political conflicts marked Jackson's Presidency?
- Why did Jackson use force to remove Indians from the Southeast?

How did westward expansion transform the nation?

- What types of people wanted to settle in the American west?
- How did Texas gain its independence?

- Use knowledge of concepts, terms, and historical figures to construct a thesis or argument
- Distinguish between a primary and a secondary source
- Correlate the cause and effect relationship in historical events

NJSLS- Social Studies	
6.1.8.CivicsDP.4.a: Research and prioritize the most significant events that led to the expansion of voting rights during the Jacksonian period.	
6.1.8.CivicsHR.4.a: Examine sources from a variety of perspectives to describe efforts	
to reform education, women's rights, slavery, and other issues during the Antebellum period.	
6.1.8.GeoSV.4.a: Map territorial expansion and settlement, highlighting the locations of	
conflicts with and resettlement of Native Americans.	
6.1.8.EconET.4.a: Assess the impact of the Louisiana Purchase and western exploration	
on the expansion and economic development of the United States.	
6.1.8.HistoryCC.4.a: Explain the changes in America's relationships with other nations by analyzing policies, treaties, tariffs, and agreements.	
6.1.8.HistoryCC.4.b: Explain the growing resistance to slavery and New Jersey's role in the Underground Railroad.	
6.1.8.HistoryCC.4.c: Analyze how the concept of Manifest Destiny influenced the acquisition of land through annexation, diplomacy, and war.	
6.1.8.HistoryCC.4.d: Analyze the push-pull factors that led to increase in immigration and explain why ethnic and cultural conflicts resulted.	
Accom/Mod/GT/AT	
Accommodations/ Modifications:	
Partner Reading, Online Tools, Graphic Organizers, Concept Charades, Theatre	
representations, Select culturally relevant text and encourage paired reading, Ask	

Stand and Share		questions specific to cultures and their contributions to society, Roleplay, Key-Word Dance, Debate Team Carousel, Anticipatory Guides, fewer assignments, decrease length of assignments, highlight key points to remember, present information in multiple formats, alternate grading system, alternate modes of responding **Gifted and Talented/Academically Talented:** Encourage creative expression and thinking by allowing students to choose how to approach a problem or assignment, Expand students' time for free reading, Brainstorm with gifted children on what types of projects they would like to explore to extend what they're learning in the classroom		
Interdisciplinary Connections & Career Ready Practices	Integration of Technology	Integration of 21 st Century Skills		Academic Vocabulary
Mathematics: Visual and Performing Arts: Health/PE: World Languages: Language Arts: RI.CR.8.1, RI.CI.8.2, RI.CI.8.3, RI.CI.8.4, RI.CI.8.5, RI.CI.8.6, RI.CI.8.7, RI.CI.8.8, RI.CI.8.9, SL.II.8.2, SL.PI.8.4, W.WP.8.4, W.WR.8.5,	Substitution: Digital versions of materials are available. Augmentation: Students prepare, complete, and submit summative assessments using Schoology.	 □ Creativity & Innovation ☑ Media Literacy ☑ Economic and Government Influences □ Critical Thinking & Problem Solving 	Tier 1 Tier 2	N/A Academic Vocabulary words not in general use, not content specific and appear far more in written texts than in speech
SL.Pl.8.4, W.WP.8.4, W.WR.8.5, W.SE.8.6 Science: Technology: Career Ready Practices: 9.4.8.CT.3, 9.4.8.IML.1,9.2.8.CAP.10	Modification/Redefinition: Students will respond to discussion prompts and make/receive comments using Schoology.	Students must use problem solving and critical thinking skills in many classroom questions. Life and Career Skills (flexibility, initiative, cross-cultural skills, productivity, leadership, etc.)		 Examples in this Unit: functions, consequences, circumstances, incentive Examples for Teaching: Introduce words during or after text Student friendly definitions
		 ☑ Global and Cultural Awareness ☑ Information & Communication Technologies Literacy ☑ Communication & Collaboration 	Tier 3	 Domain-Specific Vocabulary words related to a specific content or field of study students are likely to encounter in the future Examples in this Unit

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Lessons	Text (s)	Learning Outcomes, Topics, and Suggested Activities	
Week 1	Jefferson's 1801 Inaugural Address, excerpt Original Journals of the Lewis and Clark Expedition, excerpt	 Students will be learning: Thinking of his election as "the Revolution of 1800," President Jefferson hoped to make far reaching changes in government. Having acquired a vast expanse of western territory, Jefferson sent Meriwether Lewis and William Clark to explore the region. Conflicts with the British at sea and Native Americans in the West led to the War of 1812. Focusing Question: How did the events of the Jefferson Era strengthen the nation? How did Jefferson's election herald a new era in American government? How did the US add the Louisiana Territory? How did challenges at home and abroad led the US to declaring war on Great Britain? What happened as the US and Great Britain went to battle in the War of 1812? Students will be doing: Jefferson Presidency Vodcast Notes, Election of 1800 Campaign Project, Lewis and Clark Story Journal, Lewis and Clark Documentary, The Embargo Act political cartoon analysis 	
Week 2	Views of War, Tecumseh and William Henry Harrison, excerpts	Weekly Overview: Students will be learning: Thinking of his election as "the Revolution of 1800," President Jefferson hoped to make far reaching changes in government. Having acquired a vast expanse of western territory, Jefferson sent Meriwether Lewis and	

		William Clark to explore the region. Conflicts with the British at sea and Native Americans in the West led to the War of 1812.
		• Focusing Question: How did the events of the Jefferson Era strengthen the nation?
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Week 3		Weekly Overview:
		• Students will be learning: Although the War of 1812 did not resolve British-American disputes, many Americans considered the war a victory.
		Focusing Question: What forces and events affected national unity and growth?
		How did the US peacefully settle disputes with foreign powers?
		How did a rising sense of national unity allow some regional differences to be set aside and national interests to be served?
		How did a new American identity form as the US grew?
		 Students will be doing: Madison Presidency Vodcast Notes, Monroe Presidency Vodcast Notes, Madison Presidency Quiz, Monroe Presidency Quiz, Star Spangled Banner Activity, War of 1812 Documentary
Week 4	Star Spangled Banner	Weekly Overview:
		• Students will be learning: Congress, the President and the Supreme Court all acted to increase federal authority.

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Eyewitness to America, Margaret Bayard	Weekly Overview:
Smith on Jackson's inauguration, excerpt	• Students will be learning: There was a growing spirit of democracy during Andrew Jackson's presidency. Despite a Supreme Court ruling in their favor, Native Americans of the Southeast were forced to move. Andrew Jackson fought the Bank of the United States and stood firm against a state's threat to secede.
	• Essential Question: What impact did Andrew Jackson's presidency have on the nation?
	How were the election of Andrew Jackson and the expansion of voting rights reflective of a growth in the power of the American people?
	What political conflicts marked Jackson's Presidency?
	Why did Jackson use force to remove Indians from the Southeast?
	• Students will be doing: Andrew Jackson Vodcast Notes, Andrew Jackson Quiz, Jackson Political Cartoon Analysis, Jackson Project, Trail of Tears Video, Andrew Jackson Documentary
Daniel Webster, Hayne-Webster debate,	Weekly Overview:
1830 excerpt	Students will be learning: There was a growing spirit of democracy during Andrew Jackson's presidency. Despite a
John C. Calhoun, Letter to Virgil Maxcy, September 11 th , 1830	Supreme Court ruling in their favor, Native Americans of the Southeast were forced to move. Andrew Jackson fought the Bank of the United States and stood firm against a state's threat to secede.
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	Daniel Webster, Hayne-Webster debate, 1830 excerpt

	Letter from Jenny, a Cherokee girl, just before her removal	How were the election of Andrew Jackson and the expansion of voting rights reflective of a growth in the power of the American people?
	Recollection of a survivor of the Trail of Tears	What political conflicts marked Jackson's Presidency?
	Tours	Why did Jackson use force to remove Indians from the Southeast?
		 Students will be doing: Andrew Jackson Vodcast Notes, Andrew Jackson Quiz, Jackson Political Cartoon Analysis, Jackson Project, Trail of Tears Video, Andrew Jackson Documentary
Week 7		Weekly Overview:
		• Students will be learning: By the mid-1800's, many Americans wanted the nation to extend westward to the Pacific Ocean. To journey westward, traders and settlers had to travel along difficult and dangerous trails. The Texas War for Independence led to conflict and war between the United States and Mexico. While the Mormons migrated to Utah, other settlers flocked to California in search of gold.
		Students will be doing: How did westward expansion transform the nation?
		What types of people wanted to settle in the American west?
		How did Texas gain its independence?
		What impact did the ideals of manifest destiny and the Mexican War have on US expansion?
		How did the California Gold Rush change the future of the west?
		 Students will be doing: Gold Rush Peardeck, Manifest Destiny Hyperdoc, Expanding West/Manifest Destiny Vodcast and Notes, Expanding West Test Review
Week 8	Luzena's Memory primary source	Weekly Overview:
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		• Students will be doing: Gold Rush Peardeck, Manifest Destiny Hyperdoc, Expanding West/Manifest Destiny Vodcast and Notes, Expanding West Test Review, Primary source analysis photos	
Week 9	,	Weekly Overview: Cumulative Review and Test	
		• Essential Question: What forces unite and divide a nation?	
		• Students will be doing: Expanding West Test, Andrew Jackson Test, War of 1812 Test, Benchmark 2	