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Curriculum Catalog

Twentieth Century American 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.

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	<b>Assignments</b>	
	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	<b>Unit 2: Modern America Emerges</b>	
	<b>Assignments</b>	
	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
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