

GRADE 2

CONCEPTUAL STRANDS	ESSENTIAL UNDERSTANDINGS
PLACES and ENVIRONMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Needs and wants affect patterns of settlement. ▪ People move to new locations for a variety of reasons. ▪ People use a key to locate places on a map. ▪ The purpose of a map is to locate places. ▪ Maps and globes represent cities, states, countries, continents and oceans.
INDIVIDUALS, GROUPS, and INSTITUTIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Holidays honor people and events of the past. ▪ Holidays and traditions reflect beliefs and values.
POWER, AUTHORITY, and GOVERNANCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Rules are developed to maintain order. ▪ Different laws exist in different places. ▪ The voting process is used to elect leaders and allow people to make choices. ▪ Community governments make laws. ▪ Governments have leaders.
PRODUCTION, CONSUMPTION, and DISTRIBUTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ People work to meet needs and wants. ▪ A person's job results in producing goods and providing services. ▪ People make choices about what they buy.
SOCIETY, SCIENCE, and TECHNOLOGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All things create waste. ▪ Waste products can be useful or harmful. ▪ Some products can be recycled.
CITIZENSHIP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ People can demonstrate respect for US national symbols.
GLOBAL CONNECTIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Products come from many places around the world.