



U.S. Studies 8th Grade Course Overview



1492-1877 (Exploration- Reconstruction)

EVERYDAY MATERIALS

Text book (Creating America) <http://www.mrthompson.org/tb/textbook.htm>, 2-pocket folder, blue or black pen, paper, single subject notebook, and planner.

NOTEBOOK

Daily notes should be kept in notebook

*Study Guide Packet will be checked for points at the end of each chapter

HOMEWORK

NO LATE ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED (exceptions do happen) you can expect homework, in some form, every night. Homework does get checked as a grade. Sometimes, your homework will be to read with and a quiz will be given for comprehension. You will also be

CURRENT EVENTS

You will need to do several current events each quarter. The current events will be assigned at the beginning of the week and will be due on Friday of that week. Students will choose a current event that in some way connects to our class. To receive full credit all current events must be completed in the following way: Student will set up a google docs account in class. Write one paragraph summarizing the article and one paragraph giving your opinion of the article. You should understand the events that are being discussed in your article. If you do not understand the events that are being discussed in your article asks for help prior to the due date, or use another article.

FOR MOST CURRENT EVENTS YOU WILL BE USING www.newse1a.com

GRADES

Grades will be determined by dividing your points by the possible amount of point in class. Included in the points possible will be homework, class work, quizzes, tests, and notebook checks and projects.

ABSENT

If you are absent, it is your responsibility to find out the work you need to make up. All work, including tests and quizzes, must be made up within the number of days you were absent.

Absent assignments can be found on the following site:

<http://learwoodperry.weebly.com>

CLASS RULES

Each student is expected to follow the school rules and posted classroom rules. We will work on a three-strike discipline plan:

1st offense warning

2nd offense writing assignment

3rd offense detention/referral

