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| The era of exploration and colonization of the Americas by Europeans marked the beginning of the recorded history of what is now the United States. **Focus** on colonization, cultural and economic impact of colonization, and the rights and responsibilities of different groups of people in the colonies. |  | After the American Revolution, the US needed a set of rules.**Focus** here on the Constitution as the framework for the US’ form of government and how it has been amended over time. |  | As the nation expanded issues arose that culminated in the Civil War. **Focus** on the course of events of the Civil War and its impact on the U.S., both immediate and long term. Also the impact of economic forces in the post-Civil War. |  | The United States entered a period of severe economic Depression between October 29, 1929 and 1939.**Focus** on the consequences of the Great Depression, including mass migration and the New Deal. |  | There were a number of reform movements that took place in the 20th Century in the U.S.**Focus** on the major social movements (women’s, civil rights, and child labor reforms) the leaders of each, and the impact of each. |
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| The English colonies began to organize and discuss creating an independent form of government separate from England’s rule.**Focus** on the Revolutionary movements, Declaration of Independence and the impact of Revolutionary War. |  | As the US expanded westward, major issues began to challenge the stability of the nation.**Focus** on the significant events, and the geographic, cultural, political and economic divisions between regions. |  | The 20th Century brought many changes to the U.S. The U.S. tried to stay out of World War I, but eventually was drawn in.**Focus** on the role of the U.S. during WWI and the impact the war had on the U.S. |  | World War II led to the U.S.’s emergence as a superpower.**Focus** on how the U.S. emerged from WWII as a super power, and what this means. |  | After WWII, the United States became a world superpower. **Focus** on the role the U.S. played/plays as a world power, and identify current issues facing the world today. |