

Social Studies: Sociology

UNIT/ Weeks	Timeline/Topics	Essential Questions
8	<p><u>Culture and Social Structure</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Sociological Point of View • Cultural Diversity • Cultural Conformity and Adaptation • Social Structure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is Sociology? • What is Culture? • What is Social Structure?
8	<p><u>The Individual in Society</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Socializing the Individual • Adolescent in Society • Adult in Society • Deviance and Social Control 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is socialization? • What are the theories on personality development? • What is adolescence? • What are the stages of adulthood? • What is deviance? • What are the different types of crime?
7	<p><u>Social Inequity</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social Stratification • Racial and Ethnic Relations • Gender, Age, and Health 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the characteristics of caste and class systems? • What are the major theories that have been proposed to explain social stratification? • What are the characteristics of the American class system? • What is race? What is ethnicity? How are they similar and how are they different? • What five characteristics distinguish minority groups from other groups? • What are the three main sources of discrimination and prejudice?
8	<p><u>Social Institutions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Family • Economy and Politics • Education and Religion • Science and the Mass Media 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the norms in which marriage patterns are organized around the world? • What are some of the trends in American family life currently being examined by sociologists? • What are the basic characteristics of the capitalist and socialist economic system? • What developments have transformed the American economic system? • What are the various ways leaders exercise power? • What are the major characteristics of the U.S. Political System? • How do the 3 major sociological perspectives differ concerning education? • What are some of the current issues in American education? • What are the distinctive features of religion in American society? • What are the norms of Scientific research?

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5	<p><u>Population Growth and Urbanization</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Population and Urbanization • Collective Behavior and Social Movements • Social Change and Modernization 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In what ways has population and urbanization affected the social world and the nature of human interaction? • How do sociologists try explain the phenomenon of collective behavior? • How and why do societies change? • What are the causes and consequences of this process known as modernization?