8th Grade NC Social Studies Common Exam Topics (US History)

**History**

History Skills:

Revolutionary War TimeLine

“all men are created equal”

Primary Source (Vietnam War)

Conflict:

American Wars

Slavery

States’ Rights

Immigration Policies

Great Depression

Jim Crow Laws

Leadership:

Founding Fathers

The Regulators

Greensboro 4

Wilmington Race Riots of 1898

Debate and Compromise:

Slavery Debates

Budget Debates

New Deal Debates

Fashion Changes Debates

Greensboro Sit-in Debates

Great Compromise

2/5th Compromise

Missouri Compromise

Compromise of 1877

Migration and Immigration:

Westward Movement

African Slavery

Trail of Tears

The Great Migration

Ellis Island

Angel Island

Technology:

Cotton Gin

Canals

Railroads

Wright Brother’s airplane

Research Triangle Park

Dismal Swamp Canal

Individuals:

John White

Penelope Barker

Henry Berry Lowery

Ella Baker

Terry Sanford

Jim Hunt

Jesse Helms

James K Polk

Abolitionists

Edenton Tea Party

**Geography**

NC Regions

US Regions

NC Lack of Navigable Ports (coastal barrier)

NC Lack of Infrastructure (Rip Van Winkle)

Mountain Ranges

Waterways

Weather

Formal, functional, vernacular region

Physical Geography (NC/US)

Cultural Geography

Political Geography

Ethnic Geography

Life and Settlement Patterns:

Environmental Disasters

Alternative Energy

Coastal Restoration

**Economics**

Scarce Resources

Rip Van Winkle

Boom in 1920s

Great Depression

NC & California Gold Rush

Inflation

GDP

Unemployment

Personal Finances

**Civics and Government**

Limited Government

Popular Sovereignty

Separation of Powers

Republicanism

Federalism

Individual Rights

Documents:

Mecklenburg Resolves

Halifax Resolves

Declaration of Independence

Articles of Confederation

Bill of Rights

US Constitution

NC Constitution (1776, 1868, 1971)

Differing View Points:

Federalists v. Anti-Federalists

Education

Immigration

Healthcare

Access to Rights:

Enslaved people

Women

Landless farmers

American Indians

African American

Effectiveness of Approaches:

Picketing

Boycotts

Sit-ins

Voting

Marches

Holding Elected Office

Lobbying

Voting Rights

Access to Education

Access to Housing

Access to Employment

**Culture:**

Columbian Exchange

Slave Culture

Decline of American Indians

Moravians

Scots-Irish

Highland Scots

Latino

Hmong

African-Americans

American Indians

Contributions to development of US/NC:

Women

Religious Groups

American Indians

African Americans

European Immigrants