



MCPS CURRICULUM GUIDE – Social Studies GRADE 4

COURSE SEQUENCE/Pacing

First Nine Weeks

- SOL VS.1 a-i – Skills for historical and geographical analysis
- SOL VS.2a – Locating Virginia/bordering states
- SOL VS.2b – Five geographic regions of Virginia
- SOL VS.2c – Water features of Virginia
- SOL VS.10b - Major products/industries of Virginia's five regions
- SOL VS.2d - Three major language groups in Virginia
- SOL VS.2e - Virginia's American Indians/climate/environment
- SOL VS.2f - Archeological finds at Jamestown Island
- SOL VS.2g - Current Virginia tribes

Second Nine Weeks

- SOL VS.3a - Reasons for English colonization
- SOL VS.3b - Reasons for Jamestown settlement
- SOL VS.3c - Importance of Virginia charters
- SOL VS.3f - Hardships at Jamestown
- SOL VS.3g - Relationships of Powhatan people/English settlers
- SOL VS.3d - Importance of the Virginia Assembly
- SOL VS.3e - Importance of arrival of Africans/women to Jamestown

Third Nine Weeks

- SOL VS.4 a – Importance of agriculture/influence on slavery
- SOL VS.4b - Cultural landscapes/settlement areas
- SOL VS.4c - Geographical influence on relocation of Virginia's capital
- SOL VS.4d - Money/barter/credit
- SOL VS.4e - Colonial everyday life
- SOL VS.5a - Reasons for colonial independence

Fourth Nine Weeks

- SOL VS. 5b - Roles/contributions of Virginians in the Revolutionary War
- SOL VS.5c - Importance of Yorktown
- SOL VS.6a - Role of Washington/Madison/establishment of new nation
- SOL VS.6b - Role of Mason/Jefferson/establishment of new nation
- SOL VS.6c - Migration into western territories
- **REVIEW of SOLs VS.1-VS.6 and VS.10b**