



# MASTERY VIEW Predictive Assessments

## Louisiana 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies 2025-2026 Pacing Guide

*Note: Standards 8.1–8.7 of the 2022 Louisiana Social Studies Standards for Grade 8 Social Studies are skill-related and describe the things students should be able to do to demonstrate their understanding of history. These standards are not specifically listed in this pacing guide, but they should be embedded within each unit.*

Unit/Subunit		Standards	Major Topics/Concepts
<b>USH: Westward Expansion (1877-1890)</b>		8.10a-d	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Importance of Frederick Turner’s ideas</li> <li>Effect of westward expansion and government policies on Native Americans</li> <li>Outcomes related to conflicts between Native Americans, the United States government, and settlers</li> <li>Changes to the Louisiana Constitution in the late 1800s</li> <li>Motivations for migration to and settlement of the West</li> </ul>
<b>USH: Industrialization (1877-1900)</b>	<b>Changing Nation</b>	8.8a-c, 8.9a-g	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Factors and effects of the growth of the industrial economy</li> <li>Effects of innovation in technology on society, the economy, communication, and transportation</li> <li>Effects of the Second Industrial Revolution on the economy and society</li> </ul>
	<b>Nation in Conflict</b>	8.9h-k	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Origins and development of Louisiana public colleges and universities</li> <li>Revisions to the Louisiana Constitution</li> <li>Key events and outcomes related to <i>Plessy v. Ferguson</i></li> <li>Emergence and impact of the Jim Crow system</li> <li>Goals and strategies employed by civil rights leaders</li> <li>Significant views of key figures and groups related to civil rights</li> </ul>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Cumulative Assessment (covering all content to this point)</b>			
<b>USH: Imperialism (1890-1913)</b>		8.10e–g	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Factors and effects of the acquisition of Hawaii</li> <li>Causes, events, and effects of the Spanish-American War</li> <li>Key foreign policy achievements of Theodore Roosevelt</li> </ul>
<b>USH: WWI (1914-1919)</b>		8.11a-h, 8.12a, j-k	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Causes of World War I</li> <li>Reasons for the policy of neutrality and isolationism in response to World War I</li> <li>Events leading to involvement of the United States in World War I</li> <li>Mobilization of the United States for World War I</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Influence of the American government on public opinion</li> <li>• Effect of military strategies and advances in technology</li> <li>• Goals of leaders at the Paris Peace Conference</li> <li>• Isolationism after World War I</li> <li>• Key characteristics of capitalism and communism</li> <li>• Migration and population shifts</li> <li>• Factors and consequences of social and economic tensions</li> </ul>
<b>USH: 1920s (1920-1929)</b>	8.12b-h	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Causes and consequences of Prohibition</li> <li>• Changes caused by advances in transportation, technology, and media</li> <li>• Importance of the women's suffrage movement</li> <li>• Major social and cultural changes of the 1920s and 1930s in the United States</li> <li>• Influence of cultural figures of the 1920s and 1930s</li> <li>• Factors affecting Louisiana's economy</li> <li>• Response to the Great Mississippi River Flood of 1927</li> <li>• Louisiana politics in the early twentieth century</li> <li>• Migration and population shifts in the United States</li> </ul>
<b>USH: Great Depression (1929-1941)</b>	8.13a-e	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Migration and population shifts in the United States</li> <li>• Causes and effects of the Great Depression</li> <li>• Factors contributing to or resulting from the Dust Bowl</li> <li>• Reaction of the Hoover and Roosevelt administrations to the Great Depression</li> <li>• Impact of New Deal programs</li> </ul>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Cumulative Assessment (covering all content to this point)</b>		
<b>USH: World War II (1936-1945)</b>	8.14a-o	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rise and spread of militarism and totalitarianism in the world</li> <li>• Actions that led to World War II</li> <li>• Effectiveness of policies and reactions to rise of Nazi Germany</li> <li>• Events that led to involvement of the United States in World War II</li> <li>• Role of alliances during World War II</li> <li>• Significance of major military actions and turning points</li> <li>• Key figures of World War II</li> <li>• Causes and consequences of the Holocaust</li> <li>• Significance of the Tuskegee Study</li> <li>• Significance of Japanese internment</li> <li>• Contributions of American soldiers</li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contributions by Louisiana to the war effort</li> <li>Effect of World War II on the United States at home</li> <li>Causes and conditions of the surrender of the Axis Powers</li> <li>Role of the United States in the Allied victory</li> <li>Significance of the decision to drop the atomic bomb</li> <li>Key decisions from Allied conferences</li> </ul>
<b>USH: Civil Rights Movement (1950-1969)</b>	8.15a-k	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Changes to the Louisiana Constitution over time</li> <li>Origins of the Civil Rights Movement</li> <li>Effect of segregation (de jure and de facto) on Black Americans</li> <li>Impact of key events including the murder of Emmett Till and <i>Brown v. Board of Education</i></li> <li>Outcome of efforts to desegregate transportation</li> <li>Effectiveness of methods used by individuals and groups</li> <li>Role of key Civil Rights leaders and groups</li> <li>Reactions to the Civil Rights Movement by opposing individuals and groups</li> <li>Role of the federal government and the Supreme Court in advancing civil rights</li> </ul>
<b>USH: Cold War Era (1947-1991)</b>	8.16a-g	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Influence of communist and capitalist ideologies</li> <li>Goals and effectiveness of the United States' policies and programs during the Cold War</li> <li>Tensions resulting from Cold War crises and conflicts</li> <li>Role of organizations and alliances</li> <li>Effect on American society of events during the Cold War</li> <li>Effect of advances in technology and media</li> </ul>
<b>USH: Modern America (1980s to Present)</b>	8.17a-d	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Key ideas, events, and developments of the modern era that affected American society</li> <li>Relationships between the United States and Middle East</li> <li>Effects of natural disasters on Louisiana and the United States</li> <li>Important issues of the 2008 presidential election and the significance of the election of Barack Obama</li> </ul>
<b>Final Comprehensive Assessment (covering all content)</b>		