

Government-Instructional

CONCEPT	SKILLS/CONTENT	LEVEL	POSSIBLE ACTIVITIES
Beginnings and Influences of American Government			
	Need for rules and laws	PM	
	Influence of Ancient Governments	IP	
	Influence of English Government	IP	
	Government in American colonies	PM	
	American colonies fight for independence	PM	
Creation of American Government			
	Articles of Confederation	PM	
	The Constitutional Convention	PM	
	Compromises of the Constitutional Convention	PM	
	Guiding principles of the Constitution	PM	
	Ratifying the Constitution	PM	
The Constitution			
	Goals of the Constitution	IP	
	Articles 1-4	IP	
	Articles 5-7	IP	
	The Bill of Rights: 1st Amendment	IP	
	The Bill of Rights: Amendments 2-10	IP	
	Amendments 11-15	IP	
	Amendments 16-27	IP	
The Legislative Branch of the Constitution			
	The Congress	IP	Congress Project
	The House and the Senate		
	How Congress does its work		
	How a bill becomes a law	IP	
	Powers of Congress	IP	
The Executive Branch of the Constitution			
	The Executive branch	IP	
	Electing a President	IP	
	Duties of the President	IP	
	Advisers of the President	IP	
The Judicial Branch of the Constitution			
	The Federal Court system	IP	
	United States Court of Appeals	IP	
	The Supreme Court	IP	
	Local courts	IP	
The President's Cabinet			
	The executive departments	IP	Cabinet position project
	Departments of State, Treasury, and Justice	IP	
	Departments of Agriculture, Commerce, Interior, and Labor	IP	
	Executive departments created since 1945	IP	
State Governments			
	U.S. grows from 13 to 50 states	IP	
	State Constitutions	IP	

	State Budgets	IP	
	State Expenses	IP	
	The Legislative Branch of State Government	IP	
	The Executive Branch of State Government	IP	
	The Judicial Branch of State Government	IP	
Illinois Government			
	The Flag Codes	IP	
	The Governor	IP	
	Illinois Executive Branch	IP	Posters of state
	State Legislators	IP	officers/officials
	Illinois Constitution	IP	
	Illinois cities	IP	
	Illinois roads	IP	
	Illinois symbols	PM	
Local Governments			
	County government	IP	
	City government	IP	
Political Parties			
	History of political parties in the U.S.	IP	Research party platforms
	Minor parties	IP	Posters of minor parties
	Political party activities	IP	
	State primary elections	IP	
	National political conventions	IP	
	Political campaigns	IP	
	The right to vote	IP	
	Referendums and initiatives	IP	
Citizenship			
	A nation of immigrants	IP	
	Becoming a U.S. citizen	IP	Pamphlets: How to
	Rights and responsibilities of citizenship	IP	become a citizen
	Volunteerism in your life	PM	<i>Mr. Smith Goes to Washin</i>
Law and Society			
	How laws affect you	PM	
	The rights of the accused	IP	
	The trial process	IP	Mock trial (if time allows)
	Influential trials		
Tolerance in the U.S./Social History			
	History of intolerance in the U.S.	IP	<i>Shadow of Hate</i> video
	Intolerance of Native peoples	PM	
	Religious intolerances	PM	
	Slavery and intolerance	PM	
	Intolerance of immigrants	PM	
	Gender intolerance	PM	
Modern American History			
	The roaring twenties	IP	
	The Great Depression	IP	
	World War II	IP	Project
	The 1950's	IP	
	The 1960's	IP	time may not allow
	The 1970's	IP	time may not allow
	The 1980's	IP	time may not allow

STATE GOALS	Key to Levels	
	I = introduced	
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14.B.4; 14.11.08	M = mastered	
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