

Trinity Christian School

Sixth Grade History/Explorers to 1849

A. Course Goals

1. To provide the student with an overview of American history from the Explorers to 1849
2. To familiarize the student with foundations of American Government and its workings
3. To provide the student with memory work related to important documents of U.S. History

B. Course Topics: The teacher will teach the following:

Topic

- 1 Prince Henry the Navigator
- 2 Columbus Sails to the New World
- 3 Magellan Circumnavigates the Earth
- 4 Cortez, de Soto, de Leon, and Coronado
- 5 Explorers of the Northeast
- 6 Raleigh Settles Roanoke
- 7 Jamestown is Founded in Virginia
- 8 The Mayflower Lands at Plymouth
- 9 Pilgrims Build Plymouth Colony
- 10 Massachusetts Bay Colony
- 11 Roger Williams,
- 12 Salem Witch Trials
- 13 Thirteen Colonies Formed
- 14 The First Great Awakening
- 15 Colonial Trading with England
- 16 The French and Indian Wars
- 17 Parliament Acts Unjustly
- 18 The First Continental Congress
- 19 The War for Independence Begins
- 20 British Lose at Bunker Hill
- 21 America Declares its Independence
- 22 Washington Commands the Army
- 23 Winter at Valley Forge
- 24 Yorktown and the Treaty of Paris
- 25 The Constitutional Convention
- 26 America's Founding Fathers
- 27 Washington, Our First President
- 28 The Louisiana Purchase from France
- 29 The Lewis & Clark Expedition
- 30 The Second Great Awakening
- 31 The War of 1812
- 32 The Missouri Compromise
- 33 The Monroe Doctrine
- 34 Traveling on the Erie Canal
- 35 Jacksonian Democracy
- 36 The Cotton Gin Establishes the South

- 37 Slavery in the South
- 38 The Cherokee Trail of Tears
- 39 Remember the Alamo
- 40 Westward Expansion
- 41 War with Mexico
- 42 The 49ers and the Gold Rush

C. **Teaching Methods**

- 1. Use of Veritas provided "Cards" for quick study.
- 2. Use of Veritas provided work sheets.
- 3. Assignment of Essays based on outside research
- 4. Memorization of important documents, i.e. Preamble to U.S. Constitution
- 5. Outside reading of historical novels.

D. **Primary Text**

Veritas Press, Explorers to 1815 and Veritas Press, 1815 to Present History

E. **Approximate Time Per Week** 4.0 hours