



## **Mystic Seaport and the Connecticut State Social Studies Frameworks**

Mystic Seaport provides a springboard for meaningful, integrated learning experiences that offer varied opportunities for addressing the Connecticut State Social Studies Frameworks. Students at all levels can access and gather information from primary sources, investigate topics, analyze, integrate and present information in many forms. The following highlights specific aspects of the Connecticut State Social Studies Frameworks that our programs can help to specifically address.

Connecticut State Social Studies Frameworks available here:

<http://www.sde.ct.gov/sde/lib/sde/pdf/board/ssframeworks.pdf>

### **Grades 3-5**

#### **Dimension 1: Developing Questions and Planning Inquiry**

INQ 3-5.2 Identify disciplinary concepts and ideas associated with a compelling question that are open to different interpretations

INQ 3-5.3 Identify the disciplinary concepts and ideas associated with a supporting question that are open to interpretation.

INQ 3-5.4 Explain how supporting questions help answer compelling questions in an inquiry.

INQ 3-5.5 Determine the kinds of sources that will be helpful in answering compelling questions and supporting questions, taking into consideration the different opinions people have about how to answer the questions

#### **Dimension 2: Applying Disciplinary Concepts and Tools**

*NOTE:* Dimension 2 is divided into four sub-sections called disciplines. The disciplines are History, Civics, Economics, and Geography. Reference information for these frameworks are displayed discipline/grade number/indicator number format, so that HIST 3.4 denotes the fourth history framework at the third grade level.

##### **HISTORY (HIST)**

HIST 3.2 Compare life in specific historical time periods to life today.

HIST 3.3 Generate questions about individuals who have shaped significant historical changes and continuities.

HIST 3.4 Explain connections among historical contexts and people's perspectives at the time.

HIST 3.5 Describe how people's perspectives shaped the historical sources they created.

HIST 3.7 Compare information provided by different historical sources about the past.

HIST 3.8 Infer the intended audience and purpose of a historical source from information within the source itself.

HIST 3.9 Generate questions about multiple historical sources and their relationships to particular historical events and developments

HIST 3.10 Use information about a historical source, including the maker, date, place of origin, intended audience, and purpose to judge the extent to which the source is useful for studying a particular topic.

HIST 3.11 Explain probable causes and effects of events and developments

HIST 4.1 Explain connections among historical contexts and people's perspectives at the time.

HIST 4.2 Explain probable causes and effects of events and developments.

HIST 4.3 Use evidence to develop a claim about the past.

HIST 5.2 Compare life in specific historical periods to life today.

HIST 5.3 Use information about a historical source, including the maker, date, place of origin, intended audience, and purpose to judge the extent to which the source is useful for studying a particular topic.

HIST 5.4 Explain why individuals and groups during the same historical period differed in their perspectives

HIST 5.5 Explain connections among historical contexts and people's perspectives at the time.

HIST 5.6 Compare information provided by different historical sources about the past.

HIST 5.7 Generate questions about multiple historical sources and their relationships to particular historical events and developments

HIST 5.8 (Same as HIST 5.3) Use information about a historical source, including the maker, date, place of origin, intended audience, and purpose to judge the extent to which the source is useful for studying a particular topic.

HIST 5.9 Explain probable causes and effects of events and developments.

HIST 5.10 Use evidence to develop a claim about the past.

## **CIVICS (CIV)**

CIV 3.5 Identify the beliefs, experiences, perspectives, and values that underlie their own and others' points of view about civic issues

CIV 4.1 Illustrate historical and contemporary means of changing society

CIV 5.2 Describe ways in which people benefit from and are challenged by working together, including through government, workplaces, voluntary organizations, and families.

## **ECONOMICS (ECO)**

ECO 3.1 Compare the benefits and costs of individual choices.

ECO 3.2 Identify examples of the variety of resources (human capital, physical capital, and natural resources) that are used to produce goods and services.

ECO 3.3 Explain why individuals and businesses specialize and trade.

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## **GEOGRAPHY (GEO)**

GEO 3.1 Construct maps and other graphic representations of both familiar and unfamiliar places

GEO 3.2 Use maps, satellite images, photographs, and other representations to explain relationships between the locations of places and regions and their environmental characteristics

GEO 3.3 Use maps of different scales to describe the locations of cultural and environmental characteristics

GEO 3.5 Explain how the cultural and environmental characteristics of places change over time

GEO 3.6 Describe how environmental and cultural characteristics influence population distribution in specific places or regions

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GEO 4.6 Explain how cultural and environmental characteristics affect the distribution and movement of people, goods, and ideas

GEO 4.7 Explain how human settlements and movements relate to the locations and use of various natural resources

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### Dimension 3: Evaluating Sources and Using Evidence

INQ 3-5.6 Gather relevant information from multiple sources while using the origin, structure, and context to guide the selection.

INQ 3-5.7 Use distinctions between fact and opinion to determine the credibility of multiple sources.

INQ 3-5.8 Identify evidence that draws information from multiple sources in response to compelling questions.

INQ 3-5.9 Use evidence to develop claims in response to compelling questions.

### Dimension 4: Communicating Conclusions and Taking Informed Action

INQ 3-5.10 Construct arguments using claims and evidence from multiple sources.

INQ 3-5.11 Construct explanations using reasoning, correct sequence, examples, and details with relevant information and data.

## **Grades 6-8**

### **Dimension 1: Developing Questions and Planning Inquiry**

INQ 6-8.4: Explain how the relationship between supporting questions and compelling questions is mutually reinforcing

INQ 6-8.5: Determine the kinds of sources that will be helpful in answering compelling and supporting questions, taking into consideration multiple points of view represented in the sources.

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#### **HISTORY (HIS)**

HIST 6-8.1: Use questions about historically significant people or events to explain the impact on a region.

HIST 8.1: Analyze connections among events and developments in historical contexts.

HIST 8.2: Classify series of historical events and developments as examples of change and/or continuity

HIST 8.3: Analyze multiple factors that influenced the perspectives of people during different historical eras

HIST 8.4 Explain how and why perspectives of people have changed over time (e.g. American Revolution, slavery, labor, the role of women).

HIST 8.5: Analyze how people's perspectives influenced what information is available in the historical sources they created.

HIST 8.6: Detect possible limitations in the historical record based on evidence collected from different kinds of historical sources.

HIST 8.7: Use questions generated about multiple historical sources to identify further areas of inquiry and additional sources.

HIST 8.8: Evaluate the relevance and utility of a historical source based on information such as maker, date, place of origin, intended audience, and purpose.

HIST 8.9: Explain multiple causes and effects of events and developments in the past.

HIST 8.10: Organize applicable evidence into a coherent argument about the past.

## **CIVICS (CIV)**

N/A

## **ECONOMICS (ECO)**

ECO 6-7.1: Explain how economic decisions affect the well-being of individuals, businesses, and society.

ECO 6-7.3: Explain how changes in supply and demand cause changes in prices and quantities of goods and services, labor, credit, and foreign currencies.

ECO 6-7.4: Analyze the role of innovation and entrepreneurship in a market economy.

ECO 8.1: Explain how economic decisions affect the well-being of individuals, businesses, and society.

ECO 8.3: Analyze the role of innovation and entrepreneurship in a market economy.

## **GEOGRAPHY (GEO)**

GEO 6–7.1 Construct maps to represent and explain the pattern of cultural and environmental characteristics in our world.

GEO 6–7.2 Use maps, satellite images, photographs, and other representations to explain relationships between the locations of places and regions, and changes in their environmental characteristics.

GEO 6–7.3 Explain how cultural patterns and economic decisions influence environments and the daily lives of people.

GEO 6–7.4 Analyze the cultural and environmental characteristics that make places both similar to and different from one another.

GEO 6–7.5 Explain the connections between the physical and human characteristics of a region and the identity of individuals and cultures living there.

GEO 6–7.6 Explain how changes in transportation and communication technology influence human settlements and affect the diffusion of ideas and cultural practices.

GEO 6–7.7 Analyze how relationships between humans and environments extend or contract settlement and movement.

GEO 6–7.8 Evaluate the influences of long-term, human-induced environmental change on conflict and cooperation.

GEO 6–7.9 Analyze the ways in which cultural and environmental characteristics vary among various regions of the world.

GEO 6–7.10 Explain how the relationship between the environmental characteristics of places and the production of goods influences the world trade.

GEO 8.1: Construct maps to represent and explain the spatial patterns of cultural and environmental characteristics.

GEO 8.2: Analyze the combinations of cultural and environmental characteristics that make places both similar to and different from other places

GEO 8.3: Explain how changes in transportation and communication technology influence the spatial connections among human settlements and affect the diffusion of ideas and cultural practices.

GEO 8.4 Explain how the relationship between the environmental characteristics of places and production of goods influences the spatial patterns of world trade.

### Dimension 3: Evaluating Sources and Using Evidence

INQ 6-8.6: Gather relevant information from multiple sources while using the origin, authority, structure, context, and corroborative value of the sources to guide the selection.

INQ 6-8.7: Evaluate the credibility of a source by determining its relevance and intended use.

INQ 6-8.8: Identify evidence that draws information from multiple sources to support claims, noting evidentiary limitations.

INQ 6-8.9: Develop claims and counterclaims while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both.

### Dimension 4: Communicating Conclusions and Taking Informed Action

INQ 6-8.10: Construct arguments using claims and evidence from multiple sources, while acknowledging the strengths and limitations of the arguments.

INQ 6-8.11: Construct explanations using reasoning, correct sequences, examples, and details while acknowledging the strengths and weaknesses of the explanations.

INQ 6-8.13: Critique arguments for credibility.