

US History  
Springville High School  
Mr. Bishop

As we study U.S. history this year, we will focus on nine themes that will provide a deeper understanding and insight into the building of our nation. (1) Diversity and the National Identity (2) America in World Affairs (3) Economic Opportunity (4) Science and Technology (5) Women and Political Power (6) Immigration and Migration (7) States Rights (8) Voting Rights (9) Civil Rights.

We will cover US history from the its foundation to the present, however emphasis will be given to the period covering Reconstruction (post Civil War) to the present.

We will also focus on building skill such as increased reading comprehension, learning to communicate ideas effectively to others through speaking and writing, and developing critical thinking.

## Grading

I grade using the total points method. That is, all points weigh equally, whether they are test, quiz, or assignment points. All points will be totaled at the end of each quarter and student's grades will be based on the percentage of points they have earned from the total points possible.

Attendance and behavior may have an impact on student's grades. At the beginning of each quarter I award every student 100 citizenship points. If there are no problems throughout the quarter the student will keep all 100 citizenship points which will be applied toward their grade. However, a student may lose points for unexcused absences and/or tardies (10 points for each unexcused absence or tardy). A student may also lose points for coming to class unprepared or for other behavior problems during class.

<b>A</b> 94% - 100%	<b>B</b> 83% - 86%	<b>C</b> 73% - 76%	<b>D</b> 63% - 66%
<b>A-</b> 90% - 93%	<b>B-</b> 80% - 82%	<b>C-</b> 70% - 72%	<b>D-</b> 60% - 62%
<b>B+</b> 87% - 89%	<b>C+</b> 77% - 79%	<b>D+</b> 67% - 69%	<b>F</b> 0% - 59%

Assignments are due on the day posted. Late work will mean loss of points. If you miss class it is your responsibility to get missed work or material made up in a timely manner.

## Other Items

1. No cell phones or other unauthorized electronic devices to be used during class time.
2. No hats or caps to be worn in class.
3. No food or drinks in class.
4. Come to class prepared and ready to do your best.