



SOCIAL STUDIES ESSENTIALS

Hi Team,

I wanted to share something before the year starts that I think you can easily use.

Starting this year, we have access to Social Studies Essentials from Discovery Education. It's a K–5 program that gives you ready-to-teach social studies lessons, already built, already aligned to standards. Each lesson runs about 30 minutes and includes primary and/or secondary sources, a central inquiry-based discussion question, and everything you need to facilitate it. No extra planning. No new curriculum to learn.

The part I think you'll appreciate most: Every lesson is also building reading, discussion, and writing skills, so this isn't competing with your ELA time. It's extending it.

Here's what I'm asking:

- Take a look at your grade level before [\[DATE\]](#)
- Try one lesson this week
- That's it! One lesson, just 30 minutes to see what your students do

If you want to see what a lesson looks like before you [log in](#), there's a [2-minute walkthrough here](#).

I'll check in after your first lesson. If you have questions before then, reply or find me in the building.

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