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| **THEME** | **Period 3 (1754-1800)**British imperial attempts to reassert control over its colonies and the colonial reaction to these attempts produced a new American republic, along with struggles over the new nation’s social, political, and economical identity. |
| **American & National Identity**focuses on how and why definitions of American and national identity and values have developed, as well as on related topics such as citizenship, constitutionalism, foreign policy, assimilation, and American exceptionalism. |  |
| **Politics & Power**how different social and political groups have influenced society and government in the United States, as well as how political beliefs and institutions have changed over time. |  |
| **Work, Exchange, & Technology**factors behind the development of systems of economic exchange, particularly the role of technology, economic markets, and government. |  |
| **Culture & Society**the roles that ideas, beliefs, social mores, and creative expression have played in shaping the United States, as well as how various identities, cultures, and values have been preserved or changed in different contexts of U.S. history. |  |
| **Migration & Settlement**why and how the various people who moved to and within the United States both adapted to and transformed their new social and physical environments. |  |
| **Geography & Environment**the role of geography and both the natural and human-made environments on social and political developments in what would become the United States. |  |
| **America in the World**the interactions between nations that affected North American history in the colonial period, and on the influence of the United States on world affairs. |  |