

UNIT 1: THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES

Topic	Key Concepts	Notes
1.1 Early History	Native American Tribes, European Colonization	1492: Christopher Columbus reaches North America.
1.2 Colonial Period	13th-18th Century, Pilgrims, Puritans	1620: Pilgrims arrive on the Mayflower.
1.3 American Revolution	1776, Declaration of Independence, War of Independence	1776: Declaration of Independence signed.
1.4 Westward Expansion	19th Century, Manifest Destiny, Trail of Tears	1845: Texas Annexation.
1.5 Civil War	1861-1865, Slavery, Union vs. Confederacy	1861: Civil War begins.
1.6 Reconstruction	1865-1877, Freedmen's Bureau, 13th Amendment	1865: 13th Amendment abolishes slavery.
1.7 Industrial Revolution	19th Century, Urbanization, Labor Unions	1859: First oil well drilled in Pennsylvania.
1.8 Progressive Era	1890s-1920s, Social Reform, Antitrust Laws	1890: Sherman Antitrust Act passed.
1.9 World War I	1914-1918, US Entry, 19th Amendment	1917: US enters WWI.
1.10 Prohibition	1919-1933, 18th Amendment, Volstead Act	1919: 18th Amendment passed.
1.11 Great Depression	1929-1939, New Deal, F.D.R.	1929: Stock market crash.
1.12 World War II	1939-1945, Pearl Harbor, D-Day	1941: Pearl Harbor attack.
1.13 Cold War	1945-1991, US vs. USSR, Space Race	1945: WWII ends.
1.14 Vietnam War	1955-1975, Draft, Anti-war Movement	1955: Vietnam War begins.
1.15 1960s	Civil Rights Movement, Kennedy, Johnson	1963: March on Washington.
1.16 1970s	Watergate, Vietnam Withdrawal, Nixon	1974: Nixon resigns.
1.17 1980s	Reagan, Conservative Movement	1981: Reagan elected.
1.18 1990s	Clinton, 19th Amendment	1991: USSR collapses.
1.19 2000s	Bush, 2001-2009	2001: 9/11 attacks.
1.20 2010s	Obama, 2009-2017	2009: Obama elected.
1.21 2020s	Biden, 2021-Present	2021: Biden elected.

