| Block 1: Identity \& Character |  |
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| Central Concepts | Supporting Concepts |
| - Identity | - Character <br> - Origins |
| Central Question(s); Period, Skills \& Reading | NC State Standards Alignment |
| Who am I? How does my story fit into the story of the universe? <br> Period of History: Prehistory to Agricultural Revolution (Big History Units 1-6) <br> Skills: Narrative Writing, Historical Thinking Skills (Claim Testing, Causation, Scale), Sentence Formation, Socratic Seminar <br> Reading: Personal Reading Focus | NC Language Arts Standards: <br> - Reading (RL.1-10 \& RI.1-10), grammar (L.1-6), speaking \& listening (SL.1-5), and research (W.4-6) standards integrated within every block. Focus on Narrative Writing (W.3). <br> NC Social Studies Standards: <br> - C.1. Understand how cultural values influence relationships between individuals, groups and political entities in modern societies and |

Block 2: Connections \& Associations

| Central Concepts | Supporting Concepts |
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| - Culture | - Community <br> - Belonging |
| Central Question(s); Period, Skills \& Reading | NC State Standards Alignment |
| What does it mean to belong? What is culture? In what ways are humans interconnected? <br> Period of History: Early Civilizations to Great Global Convergence (Big History Units 7-8) | NC Language Arts Standards: <br> - Reading (RL.1-10 \& RI.1-10), grammar (L.1-6), speaking \& listening (SL.1-5), and research (W.4-6) standards integrated within every block. Focus on Informative Writing (W.2). |
| Skills: Research \& Historical Thinking Skills, Skills, Informative Writing, Paragraphing \& Revision, Socratic Seminar <br> Reading: Book Clubs/Whole Class Text (TBD) | NC Social Studies Standards: <br> - In addition to previous block's standards: 7.H. 2 Understand the implications of global interactions, G. 1 Understand how geography, demographic trends, and environmental conditions shape modern societies and regions, 7.G. 2 Apply the tools of a geographer to understand modern societies and regions. |


| Block 3: Organizations |  |
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| Central Concepts | Supporting Concepts |
| - Revolution | - Conflict |
| Central Question(s); Period, Skills \& Reading | NC State Standards Alignment |
| To what extent has the Modern Revolution been a positive or negative force? What are the positive and negative impacts of interconnection? <br> Period of History: Modern Revolution (Big History Units 89) <br> Skills: Primary Sources, Debate, Research \& Historical Thinking Skills, Argument Writing, Multi-Paragraph Writing \& Summary, Socratic Seminar <br> Reading: Book Clubs (Choices TBD) | NC Language Arts Standards: <br> - Reading (RL.1-10 \& RI.1-10), grammar (L.1-6), speaking \& listening (SL.1-5), and research (W.4-6) standards integrated within every block. Focus on Argument Writing (W.1). <br> NC Social Studies Standards: <br> - In addition to previous blocks' standards: E. 1 Understand the economic activities of modern societies and regions, 7.C\&G. 1 Understand the development of government in modern societies and regions. |



