## Sterling Middle School Scope and Sequence

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HUMANITIES



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

Block 2: Connections & Associations	
Central Concepts	Supporting Concepts
o Culture	<ul> <li>Community</li> <li>Belonging</li> </ul>
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?	NC Language Arts Standards:
<b>Period of History:</b> Early Civilizations to Great Global Convergence (Big History Units 7-8)	<ul> <li>Reading (RL.1-10 &amp; RI.1-10), grammar (L.1-6), speaking &amp; listening (SL.1-5), and research (W.4-6) standards integrated within every block. Focus on Informative Writing (W.2).</li> </ul>
<b>Skills:</b> Research & Historical Thinking Skills, Skills, Informative Writing, Paragraphing & Revision, Socratic	NC Social Studies Standards:
Seminar Reading: Book Clubs/Whole Class Text (TBD)	<ul> <li>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.</li> </ul>

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Block 3: Organizations	
Central Concepts	Supporting Concepts
<ul> <li>Revolution</li> </ul>	o Conflict
Central Question(s); Period, Skills & Reading	NC State Standards Alignment
To what extent has the Modern Revolution been a	NC Language Arts Standards:
positive or negative force? What are the positive and negative impacts of interconnection?	<ul> <li>Reading (RL.1-10 &amp; RI.1-10), grammar (L.1-6), speaking &amp; listening (SL.1-5), and research (W.4-6) standards integrated</li> </ul>
<b>Period of History:</b> Modern Revolution (Big History Units 8- 9)	within every block. Focus on Argument Writing (W.1).
	NC Social Studies Standards:
<ul> <li>Skills: Primary Sources, Debate, Research &amp; Historical Thinking Skills, Argument Writing, Multi-Paragraph Writing &amp; Summary, Socratic Seminar</li> <li>Reading: Book Clubs (Choices TBD)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>In addition to previous blocks' standards: E.1 Understand the economic activities of modern societies and regions, 7.C&amp;G.1 Understand the development of government in modern societies and regions.</li> </ul>

Block 4: Discovery		
Central Concepts	Supporting Concepts	
o <b>Power</b>	o Voice	
Central Question(s); Period, Skills & Reading	NC State Standards Alignment	
How do we make this world a better place? What is power and how does it shape our society?	NC Language Arts Standards:	
<b>Period of History:</b> Modern Revolution to the Future (Big History Units 9-10)	<ul> <li>Reading (RL.1-10 &amp; RI.1-10), grammar (L.1-6), speaking &amp; listening (SL.1-5), and research (W.4-6) standards integrated within every block. Focus on Narrative and Multigenre Writing (W.3).</li> </ul>	
<b>Skills:</b> Multi-genre Project & Portfolio, Research & Historical Thinking Skills, Socratic Seminar	NC Social Studies Standards:	
Reading: Book Clubs/Whole Class Text (TBD)	<ul> <li>In addition to previous blocks' standards: 8.C&amp;G.2 Understand the role that citizen participation plays in societal change. H.3. Understand the factors that contribute to change and continuity (including NC/US)</li> </ul>	