## Social Studies Course

The focus of the Social Science curriculum in Grade 6 is the history of the United States from the early 1500s to the Reconstruction period. Students will be encouraged to develop critical thinking skills as they study cause-effect relationships, and will examine political, economic, and cultural factors which may have shaped the behavior of important figures and everyday Americans.

In this course, students will become aware of significant, specific historical events. They will develop a collective understanding of our past and of the ways in which that past contributes to the current state and position of the US.

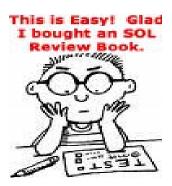
#### Topics Covered:

Geography of the USA and the World
Analysis of Primary Sources
Early Native Cultures in North America
Exploration: America, West Africa
Colonial America
War for Independence
Confederation Period
The US Constitution
US Expansion
Reform and Abolition
Civil War
Reconstruction

## the SOL Book



Many parents have asked for ways to help their children master curriculum at home. The Social Studies department has found an excellent resource for SOL review that is available for student purchase. Your child will continue to receive review and remediation of skills as part of our regular instructional program. However, this provides an extra tool that is very beneficial to your son or daughter. Your child will be able to bring the book home at the end of the year to review at home for the SOL test in May. Last year, many of our students found this to be especially helpful.



# United States History



Mr. Robey's Class



# Mr. Robey Spotlight



I have been teaching here at Farmwell Station Middle School for four years. I received a Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Social Science with a minor in Middle Education and a cognate in Psychology, from James Madison University. Currently, I attend George Mason University to obtain a graduate degree in Integrating Technology into Schools.

I have been married for 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  happy years, and currently have no children.

The best way to contact me is through email. My email address is:

#### Jason.Robey@loudoun.k12.va.us

You can also call me at school and leave me a message. I'll return your call as soon as I can.

### Mr. Robey's Class

#### Supplies

1 binder, 1 divider, 1 SOL Book

#### General Guidelines

Be Prepared, Be Present, Copy Assignments

#### Absences & Make-up Work

-Make up all missed work
-Student is responsible to get missed work
-From homework board.



#### Homework Policy

-Homework assigned almost every night
-Homework worth five points
-NO late Homework accepted

#### Grading

Use total point system; divide points earned by points possible.

#### Help Session

I am available for help during Resource and other pre-arranged times.

## Mr. Robey's Web Page



I have created a very extensive web page full of useful resources and study tools. To access my web page, visit the Farmwell Station Middle School web page (see link below). By clicking on "Staff" you can be linked to my web page.

#### http://www.loudoun.k12.va.us/farmwell/site/

On the left side menu you find all of your teacher's tools and resources, listed below are highlights found on my web page.

#### Web Page Resources

Test Study Guides
Individual Unit Resources
SOL Practice Resources
Textbook, Field Trip, SOL Book Info
How to be Successful in Class for Parents
Homework