

Social Studies Curriculum

Grade 1

Important Concepts

- The Pillars of Character and their impact on family life, school life and community life.
- The differences and similarities between family, school and community.
- The impact of family traditions on individuals.
- The impact of the local environment on the community.
- Differences and similarities between a variety of cultures
- The impact of a family's culture and heritage on individuals.
- The interdependence of producers and consumers
- The purpose of occupations and how various jobs exist within a community
- The purpose of work and earning money to pay for goods and services
- The purpose of trade in helping people meet their needs by providing goods they cannot obtain locally (ie. oranges in PA)
- Personal choice influencing the decision to buy certain items

Vocabulary

responsibility
citizenship
fairness
caring
trustworthiness
rules
respect
tradition
family
character
community
culture
map
globe
shelter
heritage
money
want
need
goods
services
trade
job
buyer
seller
resource
save
spend
earn