

6 Grade Units

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Month	Article	Words
September Unit 1	What is the Purpose of School? (Series 1 Unit 1)	analyze, factor, function, interpret, structure
Unit 1	Do Professional Athletes Deserve Multi-million Dollar Salaries? (Series 2 Unit 4)	guarantee, contrast, parallel, industry, logical
October Unit 1	Where are the women in Math and Science? (Series 1 Unit 2)	context, indicate, variable, create, benefit
	Mummies: Who Owns the Dead? (Series 1 Unit 11)	diversity, enhance, migration, presume, reveal
November Unit 2	Is an extended school day the right choice for middle school students? (Series 3 Unit 11)	extend, radical, crucial, attain, initiative
Unit 2	Should it be Mandatory to get a License to be a Parent? (Series 3 Unit 24)	visible, isolate, discretion, mandatory, outcome
December Unit 2	Should middle and high school students have to meet a grade requirement to participate in sports? (Series 2 Unit 22)	eligible, affect, maintain, prerequisite, previous
Unit 2	Global Civilization: Progress or Collapse (Series 1 Unit 19)	collapse, conceive, incline, intrinsically, nonetheless
January Unit 3	Should the United States support the development of more biotechnology to genetically modify food? (Series 3 Unit 9)	consequence, undernourished, extract, modify, DNA
Unit 3	Considering the possible benefits and risks, is becoming a vegetarian a smart decision? (Series 3 Unit 10)	export, symbolic, domestic, integrate, efficient
February Unit 3	Should the use of transfats in foods be regulated? (Series 3 Unit 19)	compile, odds, predominantly, widespread, regulation
Unit 3	Global Warming: What should be done? (Series 1 Unit 8)	attribute, cycle, hypothesis, project, statistics
March Unit 3	Junk food:: Should schools sell it? (Series 1 Unit 12)	acknowledge, incidence, incorporate, initiative,

		transport
Unit 3	Should American students be required to learn a second language? (Series 2 Unit 14)	economic, multicultural, attribute, facilitate, distinct
April Unit 4	Are after-school jobs helpful or harmful for middle and high school students? (Series 2 Unit 23)	resume, responsibility acquire, perceive, sustain
Unit 4	Who is responsible for children's health? (Series 2 Unit 8)	obesity, primary, emphasize, restrict, multidimensional
May	Are child actors exploited by the film and TV industry? (Series 3 Unit 14)	emerge, exploit, furthermore, confront, interfere
	Do the benefits of renting a pet outweigh the potential harm it can cause the animals? (Series 3 Unit 3)	whereas, capable, ongoing, compatible, notion
June	Should schools have a vocational track? (Series 3 Unit 13)	vocational, inherent, exceed, equivalent, focus

7th Grade Units

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September	“What is the purpose of school?” (Series 1 - Part A - Unit 1)	analyze, factor, function, interpret, structure
	“What is an American?” (Series 1 - Part A - Unit 3)	complexity, culture, element, resourceful, tradition
October	“Should there be amnesty for undocumented immigrants?” (Series 2 - Part B - Unit 20)	amnesty, undocumented, orient, exclude, compound
	“Should English be the official language of the United States?” (Series 1 - Part A - Unit 11)	specify, establish, cohesive, constrain, xenophobia
November	“Should American students be required to learn a second language?” (Series 2 - Part B - Unit 14)	economic, multicultural, attribute, facilitate, distinct
	“Today’s news: Information or entertainment?” (Series 1 - Part B - Unit 15)	abandon, biased, contemporary, dramatic, exploit
December	“Is the death penalty justified?” (Series 1 - Part B - Unit 13)	advocates, contrary, prohibit, release, reverse
	“Politics and Privacy: Do we need to know everything about a potential candidate?” (Series 1 - Part B - Unit 22)	candidate, campaign, ethics, issue, display
January	“Should victims’ families all receive the same compensation?” (Series 1 - Part B - Unit 21)	financial, compensation, fund, sum, recover
	“Should the Pledge of Allegiance say ‘one nation, under God’?” (Series 2 - Part A - Unit 10)	recite, allegiance, signify, principle, conclusion
February	“Is the death penalty justified?” (Series 1 - Part B - Unit 13)	advocates, contrary, prohibit, release, reverse
	“Politics and Privacy: Do we need to know everything about a potential candidate?” (Series 1 - Part B - Unit 22)	candidate, campaign, ethics, issue, display
March	“Should colleges use Affirmative Action?”	affirmative, discrimination,

	(Series 2 - Part A - Unit 2)	aspect, retain, relevant
	“Global Civilization: Progress or collapse?” (Series 1 - Part B - Unit 19)	collapse, conceive, incline, intrinsically, nonetheless
April	“Should military recruiters be allowed on high school campuses?” (Series 1 - Part B - Unit 17)	accomodate, bulk, confine, route, unethical
	“Does rap music have a negative impact on youth?” (Series 1 - Part A - Unit 5)	considerable, contribute, demonstrate, sufficient, valid
May	“High School Dropouts: Who’s to blame?” (Series 1 - Part B - Unit 20)	convince, enormous, integrity, persistent, reluctant
	“Should passing a standardized test be a high school graduation requirement?” (Series 2 - Part A - Unit 1)	standardized, assess, criteria, correspond, formulate
June	“Should students be paid to do well in school?” (Series 2 - Part A - Unit 5)	implement, motivate, undertake, incentive, enables
	“Nuclear power: Our energy future, or danger to society?” (Series 2 - Part A - Unit 9)	generation, derives, advantage, consume, contaminate

8 Grade Units

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September Unit 1	Steroids: Substance abuse or an innocent boost for athletes? Series 1 unit 10	alter, compound, conflict, fundamental, substitute
Unit 1	Should English be the official language of the United States? Series 2 unit 11	specify, establish, cohesive, constrain, xenophobia
October Unit 1	Asthma: More than a medical problem? Series 1 unit 14	intervention, phenomenon, priority, suspend, transmit
Unit 1	Should voting be compulsory in local and national elections in the United States? Series 2 unit 19	civic, apathy, enforce, decline evidently
November Unit 2	Censorship: Who should decide what young people read! Series 1 Unit 4	access, civil, despite, integrate, promote
Unit 2	Should our use of paper or plastic be an individual choice or be regulated by the gov't? Series 3 unit 2	strategy, research, cite, phrase, data
December Unit 2	Should secret wiretapping be legal? Series 3 unit 5	wiretapping, notwithstanding, eliminate, suspicious, source
Unit 2	Should adoption information be kept private or made public Series 3 unit 4	adopt, ensure, tension, consent, duration
January Unit 3	Cloning: Threat or opportunity Series 1 Unit 7	design, feature, impact, potential, transfer
Unit 3	Should the gov't regulate genetic testing? Series 3 unit 8	range, regulate, circumstance, conception, genetic
February Unit 3	Should military recruiters be allowed on high school campuses? Series 1 unit 17	accommodate, bulk, confine, route, unethical
Unit 3	Politics and Privacy: Do we need to know everything about a potential candidate? Series 1 unit 22	candidate, campaign, ethics, issue, display

March Unit 4	Explicit Photos and Cell Phones: Innocent fun or illegal behavior? Series 1 unit 23	accountable, disseminate, constant, appropriate, legal
Unit 4	Should drug companies be allowed to advertise prescription drugs on television? Series 2 unit 18	disclaimer, prescribe, potential, assume, rely
April	Dating Violence: Who is responsible? Series 1 unit 24	assault, abuse, trigger, distort, physical
Unit 4	Should people be able to trademark phrases? Series 3 unit 21	trademark, explicit, media, compensation, prior