

HOMESCHOOL NATIONS

Social Studies

Culture, community, and how societies actually hold together.

Grade fit: Grades 4-12 · Format: printable PDF unit

About this unit

Social studies is where every other subject meets. In SFC Nations your student runs a real virtual nation with citizens, a government, neighbors, and consequences, which turns abstract social studies vocabulary into decisions they have to defend out loud.

What students will be able to do

- Explain how culture, religion, and geography shape a society's choices
- Compare how different communities organize work, family, and leadership
- Read a map, a chart, and a budget and pull a claim out of each
- Write an argument supported by evidence from their own nation's history
- Discuss current events without treating them as a scoreboard

These are sample pages only. The complete unit, answer keys, and printable worksheet packs are part of the Homeschool Nations bundle.

Sample lesson — topics covered

Communities and institutions

Students see what happens to happiness and growth when schools, hospitals, and security improvements are funded or neglected. The nation dashboard makes institution-building visible instead of theoretical.

Culture and belief

With 24 religion options and 20 government types, students choose a national identity and then live with its effects. That opens honest conversations about pluralism, tradition, and tolerance.

Migration and population

Population grows or leaves based on happiness, income, and safety. Students trace push and pull factors in their own data rather than memorizing a list.

Try it this week

1. Write a one-page 'state of the nation' address after 10 in-game days
2. Chart your population against your happiness score and explain the correlation
3. Interview a family member about a real community institution and compare it to yours

Sample worksheet

Name: _____ Date: _____

1. In one sentence, what is the big idea of this Social Studies unit?

2. Describe one decision you made in your nation and what happened next.

3. What evidence from your nation's data supports that answer?

4. What would you do differently next week, and why?

Weekly plan at a glance

- Monday: 15 minute nation check-in, log one decision and why
- Tuesday: read one in-game news item, write a three sentence summary
- Wednesday: focused lesson on the week's social studies concept
- Thursday: apply the concept in-game, screenshot the result
- Friday: short discussion or written reflection with a parent or teacher

Full unit — including every worksheet, rubric, and answer key — unlocks with the Homeschool Nations bundle at sfcnations.com/homeschool-nations-launch