

**Social Studies
Grade 2**

Unit	Big Ideas Understandings	Assessment
Important Americans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Geography influenced leaders of our country. ● Our country evolved over time (exploration, interrelationships, & cultural influences). ● Qualities of a good leader. ● Leaders can be individuals or groups of people. 	Unit projects
Alaska: People, Animals, Culture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Cultural traditions, geography, environment and climate, impact the daily lives of Alaskan people. ● Similarities and differences between life in Vermont and Alaska. ● Origins and challenges of the Iditarod. ● How the animals of Alaska survive in their habitat. 	Unit projects
Lake Champlain: The Lake and Our Community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Settlement of the lake ● Impact of community on Lake Champlain and Lake Champlain's impact on community 	Unit projects