

# American History Puzzle Pieces



History is like a puzzle in the sense that events and periods in time connect together, but it's up to you to understand how everything fits. Sometimes, when we're making the "historical puzzle" we forget to look for important clues that show us how everything connects.

**Directions:** Create a puzzle piece for each major theme discussed in Social Studies this year. Pay special attention to the way

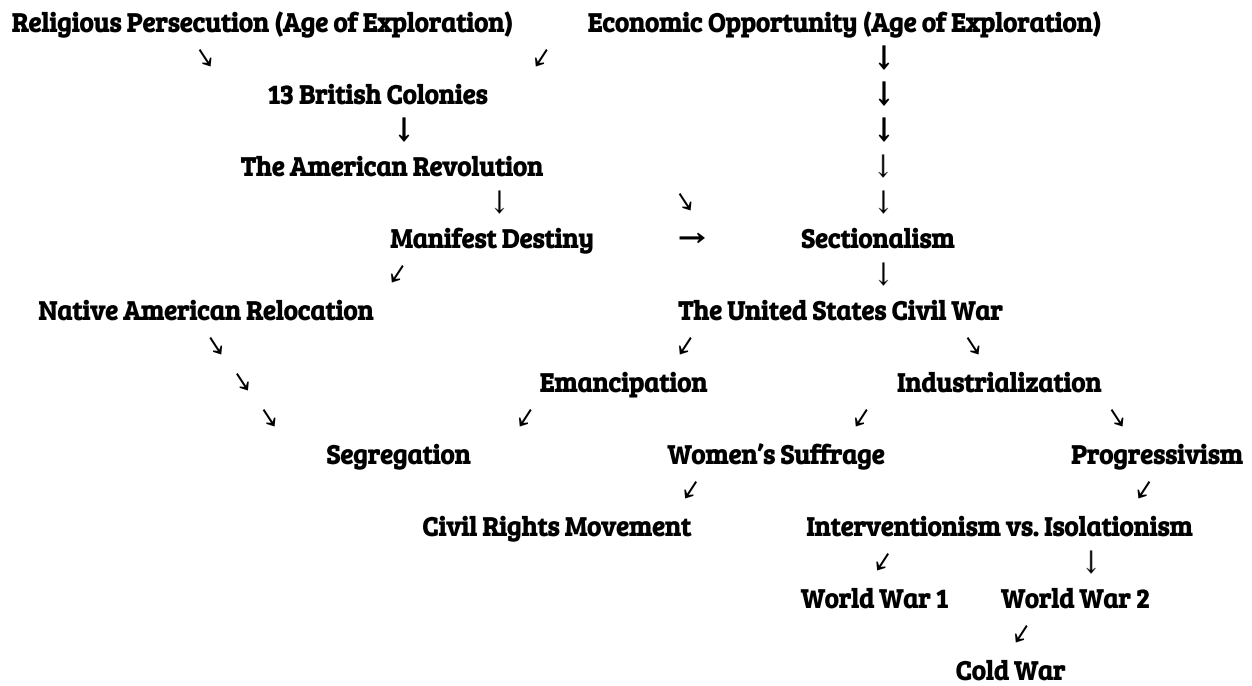
that this piece "fits" with the previous themes by explaining the cause and effect relationship of each puzzle piece. The chart also helps to explain how these ideas all connect. This assignment will be a part of every unit that you complete this year.

Follow the rubric to receive maximum points. **NO WIKIPEDIA!**

## Formal Grade - 100 Pts.

Each Puzzle Piece Must Have	Description	Where to get it
<b>1. Title</b>	1. The word that tells us what the puzzle piece is about.	1. Assignment title
<b>2. Definition</b>	2. A <b>student written</b> definition of what the puzzle piece is about.	2. Notes
<b>3. Picture</b>	3. A picture that shows what the puzzle piece is about.	3. Internet or hand drawn which shows the student written definition.
<b>4. Date</b>	4. Approximately when the time period was. (19th century, 1800's, 1800-present <b>does not count</b> ).	4. Worksheets, Textbook, notes or internet search
<b>5. Influential Person</b>	5. One person who had a strong influence on the development of that time period.	5. Worksheets, Textbook, notes.
<b>6. Quote or Influential Person description.</b>	6. Add a quote that relates to the time period or explain why the influential person is important? How do they relate to the puzzle piece? Brief description.	6. Worksheets, Textbook notes.
<b>7. Connection</b>	7. Explanation of how this puzzle piece connects to a previous piece.	7. Comprehension sheets or notes

## HOW EACH PIECE CONNECTS



Criteria	Standard	Below Standard	Unacceptable	Points
Title	Title is present - 15 pts.	Title is incorrect - 10 pts.	Title is missing - 0 pts.	15 pts.
Definition	An accurate student-written definition is present - 15 pts.	Definition is accurate but not student written - 10 pts.	Definition is incorrect/missing - 0 pts.	15 pts.
Picture	An appropriate picture that exemplifies the period is present - 15 pts.	A picture is present, but does not demonstrate the time period or concept - 10 pts.	There is no picture - 0 pts.	15 pts.
Dates	Dates are present and correct - 15 pts.	Dates are too broad - 10 pts.	Dates are inaccurate or missing - 0 pts.	15 pts.
Connection	The connection to the previous piece is clear and accurate - 15 pts.	The connection has been attempted, but does not clearly state how or why the connection is made - 10 pts.	Connection is incorrect/missing - 0 pts.	15 pts.
Presentation	The puzzle piece is neat and well done - 15 pts.	The puzzle piece is done satisfactorily, mistakes have been covered - 10 pts.	The puzzle piece is poorly done - 0 pts.	15 pts.
Spelling/Grammar	Words are spelled correctly and grammar is used appropriately - 10 pts.	N/A	Grammar and/or spelling is incorrect. - 0 pts.	10 pts.