## Grade 1 Social Studies Unit Plan Unit 1 Topic: Families and Communities are Important

Big Ideas	Essential Questions
<ul> <li>Families teach values and influence family</li> </ul>	What are families?
, members.	• Why are families important?
• Families have rules and routines.	• Who are the members of your family?
• Families pass on knowledge, customs, language,	• How do families help us?
and traditions.	• How do families teach values?
• Families celebrate in many ways.	• What do people in families do?
• Families are diverse and have different	• Why are celebrations important?
structures.	<ul> <li>How do families pass on language, knowledge,</li> </ul>
• Families are multigenerational (great	customs, and traditions?
grandparents, grandparents, etc.)	<ul> <li>How are families the same and different?</li> </ul>
• Families are both the same and different in	In what kinds of communities do families live?
many ways.	• What do American communities share?
• Family members provide for and care for each	<ul> <li>What are some of the symbols that are important to</li> </ul>
other in a variety of ways.	American communities?
• Families have and provide for needs and wants.	<ul> <li>What are some things you do and learn from your</li> </ul>
• Traditions are an important part of a family's	family that are important/special?
culture.	
• Family members have various roles, jobs, and	
responsibilities.	
• Families share work and leisure time.	
• Traditions reflect the ideas and past history of a	
family.	
• Family celebrations reflect the background and	
traditions of the family.	
• Families can be found in communities around	
the world.	
• Different events and people shape a community and a country's history.	
<ul> <li>People show honor for their community, state,</li> </ul>	
and nation by respecting the flag, reciting the	
Pledge of Allegiance and singing patriotic songs.	
• Families teach values and influence each other.	

Resources	Academic Vocabulary
Books	family members
Who's in a Family by Robert Skutch	generation
Homemade Love by Bell Hooks	multi-generation
Needs and Wants by Susan Ring	rules
Families Around the World by Margriet Ruurs	needs
What Families Do by Olivia Jackson	wants
Meet the Family: My Grandparents by Mary	survive
Auld	values
Meet the Family: My Mom by Mary Auld	leisure
Meet the Family: My Brother by Mary Auld	celebration
Meet the Family: My Aunt by Mary Auld	culture
Meet the Family: My Sister by Mary Auld	tradition
Meet the Family: My Dad by Mary Auld	history
In My Family by Carmen Lomaz Garza	commemorate
How My Family Lives in America by Susan Kuklin	immigrant
Symbols of America by Susan A. DeStefano	national
The American Flag by Lisa M. Herrington	symbol
	patriotic
<u>Websites</u>	family
The Star-Spangled Banner Audio Recording: http://www.loc.gov/jukebox/recordings/ detail/id/3793 https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=xhR4VtfgNWU https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=as9apKNqcG8	routines