

# Grade One

## True Stories and Folk Tales from America and from Around the World

In first grade, children listen to and read folk tales and true stories from America and from around the world. They learn about major historical events, figures, and symbols related to the United States of America and its national holidays and why they are important to Americans. As students study concepts in geography, civics, economics, and history, they also learn about each other's families and about the achievements of different people in different times and places.

### Concepts and Skills:

#### History and Geography

1. Identify temporal sequences such as days, weeks, months, years, and seasons. Use correctly words and phrases related to time (*now, in the past, in the future*) and recognize the existence of changing historical periods (*other times, other places*). (H)
2. Place events in students' own lives in chronological order. (H)
3. Read dates on a calendar and associate them with days of the week. (H)
4. Describe a map as a representation of a space, such as the classroom, the school, the neighborhood, town, city, state, country, or world. (G)
5. Identify cardinal directions (north, east, south, west) and apply them to maps, locations in the classroom, school, playground, and community. (G)
6. Define and locate the North and South Poles and the equator. (G)
7. Define and give examples of a continent, mountain, river, lake, and ocean. (G)

#### Civics and Government

8. Give examples that show the meaning of the following words: *politeness, achievement, courage, honesty, and reliability*. (C)

#### Economics

9. Give examples of products (goods) that people buy and use. (E)
10. Give examples of services that people do for each other. (E)
11. Give examples of the choices people have to make about the goods and services they buy (e.g. a new coat, a tie, or a pair of shoes) and why they have to make choices (e.g., because they have a limited amount of money). (E)