

**1<sup>st</sup> Grade Social Studies**  
**PISD Curriculum: Year at a Glance**

<b>Bundle</b>	<b>Title</b> Big Ideas/Enduring Understandings	<b>Guiding Questions</b>
1	<b><i>Me and My School</i></b> We need to know our rights and responsibilities in different places.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ What are my rights and responsibilities as a student?</li> <li>▪ Why are rules important?</li> <li>▪ Why do we need to understand directions and location?</li> </ul>
2	<b><i>Me and My Community</i></b> Community leaders guide people to meet the goals of the group.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ What is a community leader?</li> <li>▪ Who are our community leaders?</li> <li>▪ What are the responsibilities of community leaders?</li> <li>▪ What characteristics of good citizenship do community leaders exhibit?</li> </ul>
3	<b><i>Me on the Map</i></b> All places and people are connected to each other, and maps help us see and understand those connections.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ How are directions helpful in finding places on a map?</li> <li>▪ Why is it important to know where places are located?</li> <li>▪ How are all places connected to each other?</li> </ul>
4	<b><i>Me and My Country</i></b> The President and all Americans work hard to bring Americans together to make the U.S. even better.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ What are the President's responsibilities?</li> <li>▪ What are some of the important patriotic symbols of the U.S.?</li> <li>▪ What does each of these patriotic symbols represent?</li> <li>▪ What is a veteran? How and why do we honor veterans?</li> <li>▪ What are characteristics of a good U.S. citizen?</li> </ul>
5	<b><i>Me and My Family</i></b> People have families to help meet their needs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ What are the basic human needs?</li> <li>▪ How do people meet these basic needs and how has this changed over time?</li> <li>▪ What is a family?</li> <li>▪ How are families similar or different?</li> </ul>
6	<b><i>Me and My Traditions</i></b> We celebrate customs, holidays, and traditions in our communities and with our families in different ways for similar reasons.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ What are some winter holiday celebrations?</li> <li>▪ How were winter holidays celebrated differently in the past?</li> <li>▪ What are some family traditions during winter holidays?</li> </ul>
7	<b><i>Me and Changes Over Time</i></b> New ideas and inventions affect how I live.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ How have inventors helped to shape our world?</li> <li>▪ How can one invention lead to even better inventions?</li> <li>▪ Why do we celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day?</li> </ul>
8	<b><i>Me and Historical Americans</i></b> Historical Americans have contributed in different, important ways to make the U.S. a better place for each of us.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Why do we have President's Day and other patriotic holidays, customs, and symbols?</li> <li>▪ How did different historical Americans show good citizenship?</li> <li>▪ What are similarities and differences among people who have helped shape our community, state, and nation?</li> </ul>
9	<b><i>Me and My State</i></b> Texas is a special state which is	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ How do the leaders of Texas help us?</li> <li>▪ What do we do to show our pride in Texas?</li> </ul>

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	shaped by people and their customs, symbols, celebrations and traditions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ How does Texas’s history affect us today?</li> </ul>
10	<p><b><i>Me and My Economic Choices</i></b>            What I choose to buy affects me as well as what other people will choose to produce.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ What goods and services do I need and want and how do I get them?</li> <li>▪ How do I choose what to buy?</li> <li>▪ How do producers choose what to sell?</li> <li>▪ What are the different jobs which help produce a good or a service?</li> </ul>
11	<p><b><i>Me and My Environment</i></b>            Our physical environment affects our lives.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Why do we use weather, landforms, bodies of water, and natural resources to describe places?</li> <li>▪ How are other places similar to and different from our community?</li> <li>▪ How and why do we take care of our environment?</li> <li>▪ How does our physical environment affect our lives?</li> </ul>
12	<p><b><i>Me and My Stories</i></b>            Stories help us understand who we are.            Communities tell fables and legends for different reasons.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ What do we learn from fables and legends?</li> <li>▪ How are fables and legends similar and different?</li> <li>▪ Which fables and legends are the most important to you?</li> </ul>