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## **Curriculum-Based Classroom Trips**

| SW<br>Issue # | SW Issue Title         | Trip(s)  |
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| 1             | Welcome to First Grade | 1. <u>Independence Hall</u> - This is where the Declaration of Independence was signed on July 4th, 1776. Independence Hall is in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.  |
| 2             | Are We There Yet?      | <ol> <li>Amarillo</li> <li>El Paso</li> <li>Austin</li> <li>Houston</li> <li>Corpus Christi</li> <li>Use the cardinal directions to describe where each city is in relation to Kerrville. Zoom in and out as needed to show students. Also discuss what the weather is like and landforms in each location.</li> </ol> |
| 3             | Rules                  | 1. George Washington Surveyor Statue- George Washington was a surveyor and studied the land to make maps before he was president. This is a statue in Winchester, Virginia that shows Washington as a young surveyor. In order to do his job well, he had to work carefully.   |

| 4 | Good Citizens             | 1. Hord Log Cabin Dallas- Discuss what life would be like in a log house. Would you have your own room? How is the log house the same/different from where you live?   |
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| 5 | Time                      | 1. Floresville, Texas- The community has a festival every year in October for peanuts. Where is this community in relation to Kerrville? Use the cardinal directions to explain.   |
| 6 | History                   | <ol> <li>Perot Museum- A museum in Dallas where people can learn about history. Take a peek inside the museum and more inside the museum! Let students share if they have visited the Perot Museum and what they saw there.</li> <li>Columbus' Landing- In the past, about 500 years ago, Christopher Columbus discovered North America. He and his crew landed in the Caribbean. They found what we now know as the Bahamas.</li> </ol> |
| 7 | Past, Present and Future  | <ol> <li>University of North Texas</li> <li>Universal Technical School- Dallas- At this school, students learn all about cars so they can have jobs like a mechanic, or as a welder.</li> <li>In the future you will have a job/career. To prepare for that you might go to a trade school like Universal Technical School or go to college. Ask students what they think they will do in the future?</li> </ol>                         |
| 8 | Changes in Transportation | <ol> <li>Egypt- The Egyptians were the first to use sailboats. They used their sail boats on the Nile River (view from Nile River).</li> <li>Japan- Locate where Japan is and discuss its location in relation to Dallas. Then look at this train station in Tokyo. Ask students what they think it might be like to travel by train.</li> </ol>   |
| 9 | Fact or Fiction           | 1. The King Center- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was a famous American that believed all people should have the same rights and opportunities. He  |

|    |                         | <ul> <li>peacefully fought for African Americans to have equal rights. There is a museum in Atlanta, Georgia that gives teaches people facts and information about his life and how he helped people. Use the street view feature to explore the center.</li> <li>2. Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum- Abraham Lincoln was the American President that abolished slavery. His nickname was Honest Abe. There is a museum in Springfield, Illinois where people visit to learn more facts and information about him.</li> </ul> |
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| 10 | Thanksgiving Traditions | 1. Wampanoag Indian Museum- In Mashpee, Massachusetts there is the Wampanoag Indian Museum where visitors can learn about the Wampanoag Native Americans. This tribe helped the Pilgrims by teaching them how to plant corn. Without the Wampanoag people, the Pilgrims might not have survived.  |
| 11 | Maps                    | 1. Bering Strait- The Bering Strait is located in between Alaska and Russia in the Arctic Circle. Ask students what they think the weather might be like there. Zoom out so students can see the distance between Alaska and Russia, as well as the strait's location in relation to the rest of the United States.   |
| 12 | Earth                   | <ol> <li>Rocky Mountains- The Rocky Mountains stretch more than 3,000 miles from Canada to New Mexico. This view is from part of the Rockies in Wyoming.</li> <li>Sahara Desert- This desert is in Africa is the largest hot desert in the world. It is over 3 million square miles.</li> </ol>   |
| 13 | Let's Review            | 1. Guadalupe Peak and a view from the top of the peak. This is the highest peak in Texas at over 8,000 feet tall. It is part of the Guadalupe Mountain Range that is New Mexico and West Texas. View from the top of the peak.  |
| 17 | Celebrate America       | 1. San Jacinto Monument - The monument is located in La Porte, Texas. The monument is where Texans' defeated the Mexican army and gained independence from Mexico. The San Jacinto Monument is 567 feet tall and  |

|    |                             | has a 220 ton star on the top.   |
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| 18 | American Monuments          | <ol> <li>Washington Monument- Located in Washington D.C., the monument is about 555 feet tall and took over 20 years to complete. What other monument does it look like?</li> <li>Jefferson Memorial-Located in Washington D.C. near the Washington Monument. The memorial was completed in 1943</li> <li>FDR Memorial- Located in Washington D.C. The memorial was completed in 1997.</li> <li>The Alamo- Located in San Antonio, Texas. It was originally a Spanish mission. During the fight for Texas Independence, the battle of the Alamo happened here in 1836. Texan soldiers had stayed at the Alamo for several months, but during the battle they were defeated and the Mexican army took control of it.</li> </ol> |
| 19 | Presidents and Patriots     | <ol> <li>Betsy Ross House- Betsy Ross is credited with designing and making the first American flag. She made the flag in her home in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.</li> <li>Boston Massacre/Crispus Attucks Memorial- The Boston Massacre started the American Revolution and Crispus Attucks died for Americans to be free. This memorial is for those who bravely fought during this time and is located in Boston, Massachusetts.</li> </ol>   |
| 20 | Rights and Responsibilities | <ol> <li>The White House- This is where the current president lives. The Whitehouse took 8 years to build and was opened in 1800. John Adams was the first president to live there.</li> <li>Texas Capitol Building- Located in Austin. It is where the Texas governor, senators, and congressmen work and make laws. It took 6 years to build and was finished in 1888. The capitol building is 302 feet tall.</li> </ol>   |
| 21 | Let's Review                | 1. Sam Houston Statue- Located in Huntsville, Texas. The statue is 64 feet tall and made out of 30 tons of concrete and steel. The statue is located in Huntsville because that is where Sam Houston lived and died. He is buried  |

|    |                        | not far from where the statue is located.   |
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| 22 | Communities            | 1. Alaska- Ask students to describe what they know about the weather in Alaska. Compare and contrast it with the weather in Texas. Ask students, why do they think people in Alaska get their fruits and vegetables from other places? Then zoom in on the glaciers and show that there is frozen ground there year round.  |
| 23 | Changes in Communities | 1. Oak Cliff Nature Preserve-In the middle of downtown Dallas, there is 121 acres of land that is a nature preserve. A nature preserve is a natural area that is protected so that nothing can be built on it or disturb it. Ask students, why do you think it is important to have a natural area in the middle of the city?   |
| 24 | Goods and Services     | 1. Rio Grande Valley- Along the southern border of Texas, from Roma to Brownsville north of the Rio Grande River is the Rio Grande Valley. This is where the majority of citrus fruit in Texas is grown.  |
| 25 | Jobs People Do         | <ol> <li>Texas A&amp;M University Dental School         - A job that you could have in the future is a dentist or a dental hygienist. To become a dentist or a dental hygienist you must go to college and then dental school. The Texas A&amp;M University Dental School is in downtown Dallas.     </li> <li>Turkey- Discuss where Turkey is in relation to the United States and Texas.</li> </ol> |
| 26 | Money and Trade        | 1. Brazil- The largest port in Brazil is the port of Santos. One of the goods that Brazil sells is coffee and it is shipped out of the port. It is transported from Brazil to the United States. How do you think it gets there? Many of the goods that Brazil sells are shipped out of the port on a large boat.   |
| 27 | Spend or Save?         | 1. <u>Firewheel Town Center</u> - As a class discuss what are some things students could purchase at Firewheel. Choose and item they suggest and ask if they would have to save for a long or short amount of time in order to buy the  |

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| 28 | Let's Review | 1. Vancouver, Canada- Ask students what they think a community in Vancouver would be like. Help students to make the connection that it would be similar to life in Alaska (week 22) because they are close together. Compare the weather and needs of the community with that of their community in Texas. |