American Republic

COMPARISON CHART



Updates

This new edition reflects substantial changes designed to align this course with a middle school look and feel and make the overall experience more engaging and appealing to 8th grade students. Visuals and design elements have been significantly increased to break up sections of text and reduce the amount of text on a page. Parts and pieces of this edition will not be compatible with the previous edition.



5th Edition



4th Edition

Content Revisions

- A teaching cycle that follows four steps (engage, instruct, apply, assess) has been incorporated into the teacher edition.
- Scope of history was updated to cover through the inauguration of President Joe Biden.
- Controversial topics were retouched to ensure a balanced coverage of both sides of complicated issues.
- Visual elements have been significantly increased.
- Text has been reduced or restructured into manageable sections.
- Activities have been restructured to ensure grade-level appropriateness.
- Primary source readings have been made more manageable with an average of one per chapter.
- Suggested teaching strategies and pedagogical methods have been incorporated throughout the teacher edition.
- Info boxes have been restructured and updated.
- Page count has been updated from 616 to 712.

New Features

- Collaborative group activities, including Think-Pair-Share, research, informal debate, and creative tasks have been added with the teaching cycle.
- New technology inclusions have been added to the Teacher Edition, including links to videos, activities, games, pre-made quizzes, interactive sites, and virtual tours and field trips.
- New activities were added throughout the activity book, including visual timelines, interactive chapter maps and charts, presidential profiles, statistics activities, and research and writing assignments.

Textbook Snapshot

