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Elementary School Level Social Studies Glossary

English | Mandinka

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Coursework for Social Studies Grades 3 to 5.



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SOCIAL STUDIES GLOSSARY – ELEMENTARY LEVEL

ENGLISH	MANDINKA
A	
A.D.	A.D.
abilities	isi sing minna
absence of government	mansacunda tijé
absentee ballot	bailloto tijé
accomplishments	adafata
achievements	dafalin
acid rain	sanwoacido
across time and place	tambi wato anidula
action plan	acsion planwo
activities	activitélu
adults	kéé baa
aerial photographs	santo photographo
AFL-CIO	AFL-CIO
Africa	Afriki
agriculture	sénno
Algonquians	Algonquinlu
alike/different	killing
allegiance	kaffo
alternative solutions	solusion kotin
altiplano	altipilano
altitude	janjaya
amendment	amendamenwo
American democracy: ideals, values/principles of	Amérikínlu la démocrasi: khakilolu, valéro/principolu la
American Revolution, the Americas	Amérikínlu la révolusion, Amérika
Americas	Amérika
ancestor	mokhabaalu
Antarctic Circle	Antarctik Cérclo
Antarctica	Antarctik
anthem	anthémo
appoint	mun taata
appointed leaders	lidéro mun taata
appointed office	buro mun taata
archaeologists	archaeologista
Arctic Circle	Arctik Cérclo
areas	dula
arid	jalinwo
art	artista
artifacts	artifecto
assembly	assemblé

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ENGLISH	MANDINKA
assembly line	assemblélino
authority	mansacunda
autobiographies	fana livro
autobiography	authobiographo
automobiles	mobilolu
availability	abé kéring
avenues of participation	participasiyon avenuwo
Aztecs	Aztek
B	
B.C.	B.C.
backgrounds	histoiro
barter	tééro
basic	basiko
basin	jii dakho
Battle of Quebec	Quebek kélo
battles	kélolu
before/after	janni/wokola
belief	lanaya
belief system	lanaya sistémo
beliefs	lanayalu
Bill of Rights	Togna Kaytolu
biographies	wulusanwolu livro
biography	wulu sanwo
bodies of water	balolu jiwo
border	dula danwo
Boston Tea Party	Boston Tea Parti
boundary	frontiéro
boycott	boycotto
branches of government	mansacunda brancho
British North America Act	Bristish Nord AmérikaActo
budget	nafulo
C	
cabinet	cabiné
cable	cabulo
calendar	calendriéro
campaign	campagno
Canada	Canada
Canadian Bill of Rights	Canadinlu la bill Righto
canal	canalo
capital (state and money)	capitalo(étatanioddo)

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ENGLISH	MANDINKA
capital goods	capitalo marsandisso
capital resources	capitalo résurso
capitalism	capitalismo
cardinal directions	cardinalo silolu
cause	mun kha tu
celebrate	kha fété
celebration	féto
celebrations	fétolu
census	kha jaté
Central America	Amérika Centralo
century	san kémé gnokhonlu
change	falin
checks and balances	jibélo ani balansso
child labor	dinding dookuwo
children	dindingolu
Chippewa	chippéwa
choice	chuza
choices	chuwalu
citizen	dugu baa dinwo
citizenship	dugodinwo
civic life	civik baluwo
civic values	civik valorolu
civil rights	civik tognalu
civil rights movement	civik tognalu muvemenwo
civil wars	civik kélolu
civilization	civilisasiyon
civilizations	civilisasiyonlu
clans	clanlu
classroom	classo
climate	climanwo
clothing	fanoo
collect taxes	taxo kamarilo
colonial	colognal
colonial governments	colognal mansacunda
colonies	colonolu
colonists	colonisto
colony	colono
Committees of Correspondence	Correspondondensso commitélo
common good	mbé dédinni marsandisso
commonwealth	communwealtho
Commonwealth of Nations	Jamano communwealtho

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ENGLISH	MANDINKA
communication	comminiké
communism	communismo
communities	saté mokholu
community	saté mokho
community service	saté mokho serwisso
compact	compacto
compare/contrast	minsi tala/minsi bognhonto
compass	compasso
compromise	minsa tigna
compulsory education	maralo mun gnantakéla
computer	ordinato
confederacy	complo
conflict	kélo
conflict resolution	kélo tobénno
conflicts	kélolu
congress	congréso
conquistador	conquistadora
consequences	mimbé nala wo koma
conservation	maralo
consideration	bugnalo
Constitution of the State of New York	New York Saté Constitusion
Constitution of the United States	Etat Unit constitusion
constitutional democracy	démocrassi constitusionalo
consumer	min domota
consumers	domoli lalu
consumption	domolo
consumption of goods	marsandisso domolo
continent	continenwo
Continental Congress	Congréso continentalo
Continental Divide	Continentalo Divido
continents	continenwolu
contour	mimba laminiling
contrast	minsi bognokhonto
contributions	min diita
cooperation	copérasion
costs	songoo
cotton belt	cottono sinturo
credit	crédi
criteria	critéro
cultural characteristics	ado caractéristiko
cultural contributions	diilo ado

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ENGLISH	MANDINKA
cultural differences	Ado différenso
cultural diffusion	Ado otalalo
cultural diversity	Ado siyaman baa
cultural groups	Ado grupo
culture	ado
cultures - characteristics, distribution, complexity of	adolu – caractéristikolu .talalo. complexité
currency	goddo
customs	cliano
D	
day	lunwo
De Witt Clinton	De witt Clinton
decade	San tan
decision	décisiyon
decision-making	Décisiyon taalo
decisions	décisiyonlu
declaration	déclarasiyonlu
Declaration of Independence	Indépendensso déclarasiyon
delta	délta
democracy	démocrasi
Democratic Party	Démocrasi Partiwó
democratic principles	démocrasi prinsipolu
democratic values	démocratikovaloro
developed nations	jamanadévelopélinlu
developing nations	jamanadévelolinlu
developments	dévelopmenwo
diagram	diagramo
diagrams	digramolu
dictatorship	dictatéria
different/same	kilingté/ kilinlému
direction	direcsion
diseases	jankarolu
display	yitandi
disputes	mankanwolu
distance	dula janfaring
distribution	diilo
diverse	talarin
diversity	fin siyaman
document	documenwo
due process	devoiro processo

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ENGLISH	MANDINKA
Dutch colonies	Allemanlu la coloniwo
Dutch West India Company	Alleman West IndpoUsino
E	
earn	gagné
Earth's surface	Dugukulo santo
economic	economiko
economic capital	economiko capitalo
economic concepts	economiko concépto
economic decision making	economiko decision taala
economic decisions	economiko décisionlu
economic development	economiko développemenwo
economic factors	économiko factoro
economic growth	economiko yiriwa
economic interdependence	economiko intérdépendanso
economic systems	économiko systémolu
economics	économko
economies	économiyo
effects	assiminké
elect	élir ta
elected leaders	gnamokho mu élirta
elected office	buro mun gagnéta
election	élecsion
Ellis Island	Ellis Island
emigrants	min bota sate koté la
empathy	hinnaya
employee	dokukéla
employer	patronwo
encomienda system	encomiendo sistémo
encounter	khé bin
enforce	kaké simbola
English colonies	Anglélu la coloniwo
environment	environmenwo
environmental factors	environmenwo factoro
equality	abé kiling
equality of opportunity	bé so sansosoto
era	dula
eras	dulalu
ethnic	siya
ethnic group	siya grupo
ethnicity	siyo

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ENGLISH	MANDINKA
Europe	Europo
European encounter and exchanges-of technologies, plants, animals, diseases	Européyinlu sibir ani teknolojo yirolu , Mara.finwo. jangarolu falin
events	waluto
exchange	falinwo
executive	éxecutivo
executive branch of government	mansacunda éxecutivo bransso
expansion	janjano
exploitation	exploitasion
exploration	exploirasion
explorers	exploratorolu
exports	khé takhati dula koté
F	
facilities	matériyéloru
fact/opinion	min kéta/fana kumo
factors of production	producsiyon factorolu
factory	usino
family	dingbaya
far/near	dulajan/dulasutun
federal	fédéralo
federal government	mansacunda fédéralo
festival	féstivalo
festivals	féstivalolu
flag	drapoo
folktale	jéléku santanwo
folktales	jéléku santanwlu
food	domoli finwo
forced relocation	kha samba dula koté simbola
foreign policy	saté koma polikiko
foreign relations	saté koma la tériya
Fort Orange	Fort Oranjo
foundation	fondasiyon
free enterprise	entrepriso minsi takha afama
free trade	commerso minsi takha afama
freedom	fanasoto
French Canadians	Frensé Canajinlu
French colonies	Frensé coloniwolu
frontier	frontiyéro
functions of government	mansacunda latakha gnalu
fundamental economic questions	économiko problému baa

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ENGLISH	MANDINKA
fundamental values	valoru baa
future	mimbé naring
G	
game	tulunwo
gender	kéé wala musso
generation	jénérasiyon
geographic characteristics	géographiko caractéristikolu
geographic factors	géographiko factorolu
geographic features	géographiko sifalu
geographic features/areas	géographiko sifalu/dulalu
geographic information	géographiko kibarolu
geography	géographi
geological processes	géologicalo la takhagna
global warming	duna gandiya
globe	dugukulo
globes	dugukulolu
goods and services - production, distribution, exchange, consumption of	marsandisso ani serwisso-production, talalo,falino,domolo
goods	marsandisso
govern	ké mansayaké
governance	mansanya
government	mansacunda
Great Depression	ékonomiko boyo
grid	griyajo
Gross Domestic Product	Sukono Produwo Warman baa
Gross National Product	Nationalo Produwo Warman baa
groups	grupolu
growth	yirwalo
Gulf Stream	golfo bajiwo
H	
habitat	sigui dula
Haudenosaunee	haudénosauné
health	kéndéya
hemisphere	hémisphéro
historic events	histoiro watolu
historical	histoiro
historical evidence	histoiro toгна
historical narratives	histoiro lakalilo
history	histoiro

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ENGLISH	MANDINKA
Holidays (Columbus Day, Election Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, New Years Day, Dr. Martin Luther King Day, Presidents Day, Memorial Day, Flag Day)	Vacansso (Colombus Lungwo, Elécsion Lungwo, soldassolu la Lungwo, Sodasso la féto, San kuta Lungwo, Dr. Martin Luther king Lungwo, Présidenwo la Lungwo, Miri Lungwo, DrapooLungwo)
home	suwo
hopes	jiggo
House of Representatives	Réprentenwolu la Suwo
human	khadamadingwo
human capital	khadamadingwo capitalo
human migration	khadamadingwo latakho saté koma
human migrations	khadamadingwo latakholu saté koma
human resources	khadamadingwo résursso
human rights	khadamadingwo latognalu
human settlements	khadamadingwo la sigo
human systems	khadamadingwo sistémolu
I	
ideals of American democracy	Amérikín la démocrassi khakilolu
ideas	khakilolu
identity	bodula
immigrants	mokho min botaala sate khé naa saté kotinna
immigration	mokho min naata khébo saté kotinna
important	nafo bé minna
imports	min naata
inaugurated confederation	confédérasiyon dayéléta
Incas	incasso
income	saraa
indentured servant	contra dokukéla mun bulu
independence	fan soto
indigenous peoples	mokho kéwman
individual	mokho kiling
individual rights	mokho killing la toгна
individual rights to life, liberty, pursuit of happiness	mokho killing la balotogna, fansoto, khétakha niidiyanoma
individuals	mokho kiling
industrial expansion	usino janjanwo
industrial growth	usino yirwa
industrial growth/expansion	usino yirma/janjanlo
Industrial Revolution	usino révolusiyon
industrialization	indistriyalisiyon
industry	usino

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ENGLISH	MANDINKA
inhabitants	saté mokholu
interdependence	interdépendensso
interdependent	interdépendenwo
international organizations	internationalo organisasiyon
interpret law	silu mun interprété ta
interpret laws	silolu minu interprété ta
interpretations	interprétasiyonlu
Inuits	inuitolu
invention	créyélo
inventions	créyélololu
Iroquois	Iroquois
Iroquois Confederacy	Iroquois Confédérasiyon
irrigation	jii silo
issues	problémo
isthmus	isthmuso
J	
judgments	jijémenwo
judicial	jijo
judicial branch of government	mansacunda jijo bransso
judicial branch	jijo bransso
junta	junto
jury	jiri
jury service	jiri serwisso
justice	silu bunda
K - L	
kindergarten	dindingécolo
labor	dookula
labor force	dookula simbo
labor movement	dookula muvemenwo
labor union	dooku la kaffo
land formations	banko dadagna
land masses	banko fango
languages	kanwolu
Latin America	Amérik Latino
latitude	janjaya
laws	silolu
laws/rules	silolu/réglolu
leaders	gnamokholu
League of Nations	Jamanoligo
learn	karanwo

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ENGLISH	MANDINKA
legal	fintala
legends	léjendo
legislative branch	léjislativo bransso
legislative branch of government	mansacunda léjislativo bransso
legislature	léjislaturo
liberty	liberté
library	livro mara dula
library resources	livro mara dula résurssso
life	baluwo
lifestyle	balugna
like/dislike	ibékiling/kilingté
limited	a danta
limited resources	résurssodanwo
limited/unlimited	danwo/dantala
local	dula
local government	mansacunda dula
local region	réjiondula
location	locasiyon
lock	soronta
locomotive	kulungwo
long ago	améta
longhouse	su janjaman
longitude	loo
loyalist	danno
loyalty	dannaya
M	
maize	tibagno
majority rule	jamaréglo
make laws	késilolu dada
manor	manoro
manufacture	manufacturo
manufacturing	manufacturino
maps	cartolu
markets	marsélu
mass starvation	konko fango
Mayas	mayaso
Mayflower Compact	Mayfloro Compacto
megalopolis	saté baa
member	membro
memorials	khakilo situ

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ENGLISH	MANDINKA
merchant	comersanwo
meridians	dugukulo téma
Midwest	Midwesto
migration	khé takha dula koté
migration/immigration	khé takha dula koté/ khé naa saté kotékhono
millennium	san kéméfula
millennia	san kémé
mining	sanubo dula
minority rights, respect for	minorité la tognalu,bugnalo kama
minutemen	minutimento
Mississippi River	Mississippi Bajiwo
modernization	modérnisasiyon
modify	falino
monarchy	mansa kiling
money	goddo
months	karolu
monument	monumenwo
monuments	monumenlu
motives	kunwoo
movement of people and goods	mokholu wulilo ani marsandisso
multicultural	ado siyaman
myself	n'té fan
myths	tognanté minna
N	
NAFTA	NAFTA
nation	jamano
national	nationalo
national level of governments	manscunda national nivo
nation-state	jamano-dugo
Native American Indian	Amérikin injin min wuluta jé
Native American Indians	Amérikin injinlu min wuluta jé
natural resources	résursso fanfan
near/far	sutuman/janfarin
needs	khajolu
neighborhood	sigui gnokhon
neutral	neutralo
New Amsterdam	Amsterdam kuto
New Netherlands	Netherlands Kuto
northwest passage	northwest tambidula
now	sagni

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ENGLISH	MANDINKA
nuclear family	nucléro dingbaya
O	
OAS	OAS
objects	finwolu
oceans	bajiwo
oligarchy	oligarchi
opportunity cost	chansso songo
oral history	histoiro kumo
others	doolu
P	
parallel	parallélo
parallels	parallélolu
parent	wulubakho
Parliament	Parlemenwo
participatory skills	lonnofalinwo
past	tambita
past/present	tambita/bii
patriot	dugudingwo
patriotism	dugu dingna
patriotisms	dugu dingnalu
patriots	dugu dingwolu
patroon	patroono
people	mokholu
person	mokho
perspectives	naatalu
Peter Stuyvesant	Peter Stuyvesant
petition	khaa wala khani kayto
physical	phisicalo
physical characteristics	phisicalo caractéristikolu
physical environment	phisicalo environmenwo
physical feature	phisicalo finwo
physical features	phisicalo finwolu
physical map	phisicalo carto
physical setting	phisicalo régilajo
physical systems	phisicalo sistémo
places	plassolu
plan	panwo
pledge	kandiwo
Pledge of Allegiance	Khébin kan killing ma
points of view	kha kilila kumo

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ENGLISH	MANDINKA
political	politiko
political boundaries	politico frontiyérolu
political map	politico carto
political party	parti politiko
political power	politico simbo
political systems	politico sistémo
pollution	tignaro
population	populasiyon
population density	populasiyon densité
population distribution	populasiyon diilo
population movement - rural to urban to suburban - 20th century	populasiyon la movemenwo—khé bo duguding khé takha dugu baa to khé takha saté baato – san kémé mukhangnokhon
power	simbo
practices	kéélo
prairies	bingwo
Preamble to the Constitution	Constitionsiyon kayti folo
present	bii
president	présidenwo
Prime Meridian	MérijinFolo
Prime Minister	MinistriFolo
principles of democracy	démocrassi priciplolu
problem solving	problémo tobénno
problems	problémolu
producers	min produroké
production	producsiyon
productivity	productivito
products	produwo
profit	tonoo
projects	projéwolu
property	taafinwo
protect	kanta
protests	banno
province	wulakhono dugo
public benefit	jama tonno
public education	jama éducasiyon
purpose of government	mansacunda la kuwolu kunwo
pursuit of happiness	khé bula niyo noma

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ENGLISH	MANDINKA
Q - R	
quantities	quantitélu
race	siya
radios	radiolu
railroad	trinwo tambi dula
rain forest	wula khono san jiwo
raw material	matériyélo khotomanwo
reason	wolé yatunna
receipts	résukayto
recycling	réciclo
reference books	livro min yitata
reform	réformo
region	réjion
regions	réjionlu
relationships	tériya
relief (physical) map	réliéfo(phisiko) carto
religion	diino
religious	diinobala
renewable resource	résursso minsi naa kotin
repeal	kha bo ama
representation	représentasiyon
representative	représentativo
representatives	représentivolu
republic	républiko
Republican Party	Parti Républiko
reservation	dula muto
resources	résurssolu
respect	bugnalo
responsibilities	résponsabilitélu
revolution	révolusiyon
Richard Nicholls	Richard Nicholls
rights	tognalu
Robert Fulton	Robert Fulton
role	rolo
roles	rololu
roles of citizens	dugudingwo la rololo
roots of American culture	Amérikínlu la culture lilo
rules	réglolu
rural	wulakonodugo
rural to urban to suburban migration	khé bo duguding khé takha sate baa la

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ENGLISH	MANDINKA
S	
sachem	sachémo
safeguarding individual liberties	mokhofanna fan sotokanta
safety	kantaring
same/different	killing/kilingté
satellite-produced images	satélito-imajo produsso
satisfy	séwo
scale	scalo
scarce resources	résursso mansiya
scarcity	amansiya
school	écolo
science and technology	siensso ani téchnolojiwo
scientific/technological exchanges and connections	sientifiko/téchnolojiko falinwolu an iconnecciyonlu
seaways	jiisilolu
secondary source	bodula fulajanwo
security	abé kantaring
self	afan
selling	fiiri
Senate of the United States	État Suni Sénato
separatists	talalilalu
services	serwissolu
settle	réglé
settlement	réglajo
settlements	réglajolu
settler	réglélila
shape	formo
shelter	bunwo
similarities/differences	ibé boring/killing té
slave	jonwo
slave trade	jonwo firo
slavery	jongna
social	socialo
social/cultural changes and connections	sociolo/ado falinwo ani connecsiyonlu
socialism	socialismo
societies	sociétélu
society	société
solutions	solusiyonlu
solving problems	problémo tobénno
songs	donkilolu

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ENGLISH	MANDINKA
Sons of Liberty	Fan sotodonkilo
South America	Amérik bambo
Spanish colonies	Spagnolo la colonolu
spatial organization	organisasiyon capitalo
speeches	kuma kanwolu
standard of living	ballu gna
stars and stripes	lolo ani trélu
state	état
state government	mansacunda état
Statue of Liberty	Statuwo fan soto
steamboat	jiila kulunwo
steamboats	jiila kulunwolu
stock market	marsé stocko
stories	histoirolu
strategy	féro
strengths	fango
strike	grévo
student rights	écoli karanna la tognalu
suburban	saté koma
suburbs	saté komalalu
subways	météro
suffrage	sérfélo
supply and demand	diilo/gnininkaro
supply and demand 4 symbols	diilo ani gnininkaro simbololu 4
Supreme Court	Cur Suprémo
surplus	asiyata
symbolize	simbolisé
symbols	simbololu
systems	sistémolu
T	
tables	tabulolu
tariff	songo
tax	taxo
taxes	taxolu
teach	lakarano
teacher	karandila
technological	téchnologiko
technologies - exchanges of	téchnologiwolu-falino
technology	téchnologiwo
telegraph	télégrapho

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ENGLISH	MANDINKA
television	télévisiyon
tenant farmer	séné kéla baa
themes	témo
then/now	sangi/sasa
time	wato
time zones	dula wato
timeline	wato ligno
today	bii
tolerance	yinno
tomorrow	sining
tools	utilyolu
towpath	towsilo
trade	firilo
traditions	adolu
traffic lights	silakan lampolu
trains	formélo
traitor	trétéro
transmit	jokilo
transportation	sambalo
transportation revolution	sambalo révolusiyon
treaty	trété
trends	tendansso
tribe	khabilo
tributaries	kaké khabilo ti
Tropic of Capricorn	Capricorno Tropico
Tropic of Cancer	Cancéro Tropico
trucks	mobile baa
truth	tognaa
tundra	tundro
turning points	mining dula
turnpike	silabaa
U	
unify	khé bén
unions	bénno
unique	gnokhon kiling
unite	khako
United Nations	Jamano dinninwolu
United States of America	Etat Suni Amériki
unlimited	Danwo tala
unlimited needs and wants	Khajolu ani ilafita minna danwo tala

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ENGLISH	MANDINKA
up/down	Santo/duma
urban	Saté baa
urbanization	Kaké sate baa ti
uses of geography	Géogrphiwo kéélo
V	
values	valorolu
veteran	soldasso
veto	véto
village	Wula kono dugo
vote	woté
voting	wotélo
W	
wampum	khakilo tésiguirin
wants	ilafita ménula
war	kéélo
war strategy	kélo féro
water masses	jiwo fango
weaknesses	fangan ntala
week	lokho kungwo
Western Hemisphere	Westerno Hémisphéro
westward expansion	westward janjalo
wigwam	wigwamo
work	dookuwo
worker	dookula
world bank	duna banko
world in spatial terms	duna sangulo toola
writings	saférolu
Y	
year	sanwo
yesterday	kunung