The use of geographic representations and tools help individuals understand their world.
5.G1.1 Use and construct maps and graphs to represent changes in the United States.
Key concepts include but are not limited to physical and human features of the United States, the regions of the United States and their characteristics, geographic location of major events, the growth of the United States through territorial expansion, demographic changes, and the states and their capitals
1. Mapping a Cookie: Applying the 5 Themes of Geography and DOGSTAILS
2. Arizona: Let's Plan a Road Trip
3. Lockbox Lesson: Jaguars: Mystery and Myth
4. Making a Salt Dough Map of Arizona
5. Adventures in Archaeology
7. It's Happening, Where? Find the Absolute and Relative Location of News Articles
8. Ellis Island: Entry to Opportunity
9. From Sea to Shining Sea: Solving the Puzzle
10. Independence, Revolution, and George: Events of the Revolutionary War
11. Mountains, Sinks and Deserts: The Physical Geography of the California Trail
12. Read the USA: Passport to Regions
13. The Amazing Journey of Edgar the Eagle
15. “I Further Declare”: A Closer Look at the Emancipation Proclamation
16. What Are All the Lights? U.S. Population
17. Rephotography: A Cool GeoTool
18. 5 Themes of Geography: A Basis for Understanding Geography
19. When Is It Ever Going to Rain?
20. Latitude and Longitude Bingo
21. Ups and Downs of Population and Regions
22. Where in the World is Ryan? Practicing Latitude & Longitude
23. Zippadeedoda: How to Read a ZIP Code
24. Looking for Landmarks: Plotting Latitude/Longitude and Geometry Coordinates

Human-environment interactions are essential aspects of human life in all societies.
5.G2.1 Describe how natural and human-caused changes to habitats or climate can impact our world.
1. Take Me to the River: The Mojave Indians and the Colorado River
2. A Storm is Brewing
3. Camouflage: You Can’t See Me!
4. Flooding: How Uncle Sam Can Help
5. Rising from the Dust: Learning about Natural Disasters Using the Novel Esperanza Rising
6. Scrambling the United States: Practicing Map Reading Skills and Identifying Characteristics
7. Create A City: An Urban Planning Exercise
8. Earthquakes in Ohio? Earthquake Risk in the U.S.

Examining human population and movement helps individuals understand past, present, and future conditions on Earth’s surface.
5.G3.1 Use key historical events with geographic tools to analyze the causes and effects of environmental and technological events on human settlements and migration.
Key concepts include but are not limited to consequences of territorial expansion on American Indians, the institution of slavery, the positive and negative impact of new technologies on the environment and the growth of cities, and the impact of transportation and infrastructure on settlement and migration
1. A River Through Time: Focus on the Gila River
2. Anytown: City Travel Brochure
3. Desert Views -First Impressions: Travelers on the Gila Trail
4. Westward Ho: The Difficulties of Emigrants Moving West
5. What If There Were No Trees?
6. In the Wake of Columbus: The Decline of the Native Peoples
7. A Town is Born
Global interconnections and spatial patterns are a necessary part of geographic reasoning.

5.G4.1 Describe how economic activities, natural phenomena, and human-made events in one place or region are impacted by interactions with nearby and distant places or regions.

1. A River, Dead or Alive: Native Americans and European Colonists’ Treatment of a River
2. Hohokam Communities: Taking Risks and Making Trade-Offs
3. Our Need to Conserve Resources
4. All Aboard! The Orphan Trains
5. Garbage Island
6. Island Hopping: The Story of Ned Begay Code Talker: A Novel About the Navajo Marines of World War Two
7. NIMBY: The Garbage Barge from Islip
8. Rivers that Flow from the Continental Divide: The Journey of Two Rivers
9. Where Did My Lunch Come From? A U.S. Regional Tour
10. Get on the Track: Migration - An African American Adventure During WW I
11. Salt: White Gold
12. Wampum: Money vs. Communication
14. Supermarket Sweeps