

Great Society Lesson			
Central Historical Question: Was the Great Society successful?			
California	11.11.2 Students analyze the major social problems and domestic policy		
State	issues in contemporary American society. Discuss the significant domestic		
Standard	policy speeches of Truman, Eisenhower, Kennedy, Johnson, Nixon, Carter,		
		, with regard to education, civil rights,	
	economic policy, environmental		
Common Core State Standard(s):			
	Reading	Writing	
1. Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of		1. Write arguments focused on discipline-specific	
primary and secondary sources.		content.	
2. Determine the central ideas of information of a		a. Introduce precise, knowledgeable claim(s), establish the	
primary or secondary source; provide an accurate		significance of the claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate	
summary of the source distinct from prior knowledge or		or opposing claims, and create an organization that logically	
opinions.		sequences the claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.	
4. Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are		<b>b.</b> Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly and thoroughly,	
used in a text, including vocabulary specific to domains related to		supplying the most relevant data and evidence for each while	
history/social studies.		pointing out the strengths and limitations of both claim(s) and	
6. Evaluate authors' differing points of view on the same		counterclaims in a discipline-appropriate form that anticipates the	
historical event or issue by assessing the authors' claims, reasoning, and evidence.		audience's knowledge level, concerns, values, and possible biases.	
7. Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information		<b>c.</b> Use words, phrases, and clauses as well as varied syntax to	
presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., visually,		link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the	
quantitatively, as well as in words) in order to address a question		relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons	
or solve a problem.		and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.	
9. Analyze the relationship between a primary and		<b>d.</b> Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while	
secondary source on the same topic.		attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which	
10. By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend history/social		they are writing.	
studies texts in the grades 11-CCR text complexity band		e. Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from or	
independently and proficiently.		supports the argument presented.	
		<b>4.</b> Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development,	

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organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and
audience.
<b>8.</b> Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print
and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess
the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the
specific task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into
the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding
plagiarism and over-reliance on any one source and following a
standard format for citation.
<b>9.</b> Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis,
reflection, and research.
<b>10.</b> Write routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection
and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or
two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and
audiences.