

Recommended Family Field Trips to Support Fifth Grade Social Studies

Unit	Topics	Recommended sites
<p>Geography and Early People of the Western Hemisphere</p> <p>(September – November)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Man-made and natural geographic features • Using geographic tools (maps, globes, latitude and longitude) • early human migration • early Native American cultures 	<p>Manhattan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • American Museum of Natural History (Manhattan): <i>Hall of NYS environment, Hall of North American Forests, Hall of North American Mammals, Hall of Biodiversity; Native Americans; dinosaurs</i> • Hudson River Museum • National Museum of the American Indian • Prospect Park Audobon Center (Discover History Walking Tour)
<p>European Exploration and the Slave Trade</p> <p>(November – January)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • European explorers • European settlement in the Americas • Colonization • The slave trade 	<p>Manhattan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • African Burial Ground • NY Historical Society • South Street Seaport Museum • American Folk Art Museum • Metropolitan Museum of Art (American Wing)
<p>Latin America</p> <p>(January - March)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • geography of Latin America • the Aztec, Inca, and Maya • colonization of Latin America 	<p>Manhattan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Museum of Natural History (<i>Hall of Mexico and Central America, Hall of South American People</i>) • El Museo del Barrio • Hispanic Society of America <p>Queens</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thalia Spanish Theater <p>Bronx</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pregones Spanish Theater
<p>Western Hemisphere Today</p> <p>(April – June)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • comparative cultures: nations of the Western Hemisphere • Economics • Government and Civic Participation • The Constitution, Bill of Rights, and Declaration of Independence as living documents 	<p>Manhattan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Museum of Natural History (<i>Hall of North American Mammals, Hall of North American forests, Hall of Biodiverstiy</i>) • The United Nations • New York Stock Exchange • City Hall Tour • Gracie Mansion Tour • Supreme Court of the State of NY • New York Tolerance Museum <p>Your local bank!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • set up a savings account for your child