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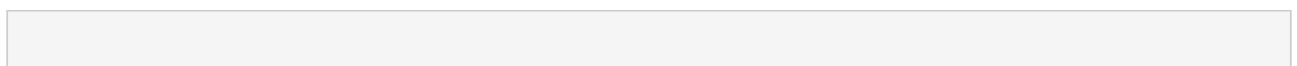
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- Concise Era Summaries that orient both teachers and students to the historical background of an era
- A list of suggested anchor texts that teach an essential aspect of an era
- One text study per era that draws students through a close read of an anchor text with text-dependent questions and writing-based performance assessments
- Learning Expectations that articulate the key ideas, events, facts, and figures to study in a particular grade span

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