

Alabama Studies

Geography SS24.AS.6

- 1 Identify the location of Alabama’s major geographic regions and describe the characteristics that distinguish them from each other.** SS24.AS.1
 - a Summarize how the geography and biodiversity of Alabama formed and evolved during the Paleozoic, Mesozoic, and Cenozoic Periods. SS24.AS.1A

- 2 Explain how Alabama’s geography contributes to the biodiversity of the state.** SS24.AS.2

- 3 Describe the demographic characteristics of Alabama’s population, and explain how both historic and current migration patterns have shaped these characteristics.** SS24.AS.3

- 4 Explain how Alabama’s location creates potential weather threats to the state and identify ways in which Alabamians prepare for and respond to natural disasters.** SS24.AS.4

Origins SS24.AS.0

- 5 Describe the cultures, economies, and governments of the first Indigenous peoples to inhabit Alabama.** SS24.AS.5

- 6 Identify the locations of the major Native American tribes of Alabama during the colonial period into the nineteenth century.** SS24.AS.6
 - a Compare and contrast the major Native American tribes in Alabama of the colonial period and nineteenth century. SS24.AS.6A

- 7 Outline the chronology of Alabama’s colonial history, identifying the shifting claims by imperial powers and Indigenous peoples engaged in colonial-era conflict.** SS24.AS.7

- 8 Explain the impact of “Alabama Fever” on the settlement of Alabama and the growth of agriculture and slavery in the territory.** SS24.AS.8

- 9 Outline the chronology of Alabama’s path to statehood in the early nineteenth century, including the shifting of capital locations.** SS24.AS.9

Conflict SS24.AS.C

- 10 Develop an argument regarding the impact of the Creek Wars and Native American removal on the settlement of Alabama.** SS24.AS.10

11 Outline Alabama’s participation in events leading to the Civil War and in the war itself, and explain how the war created change within the state. SS24.AS.11

- a Describe how secession fostered division and led to conflict in the northern half of the state. SS24.AS.11A
- b Explain the significance of Montgomery as the first capital of the Confederate States of America, and summarize reasons for moving the capital to Richmond. SS24.AS.11B
- c Assess the impacts of the Civil War on Alabama’s economy and infrastructure, and identify battles and campaigns that affected these. SS24.AS.11C
- d Compare and contrast how the Civil War affected the lives of different groups of Alabamians, including enslaved people and women. SS24.AS.11D

12 Explain the role of Alabamians in helping achieve victory in the Spanish American War, World War I, and World War II. SS24.AS.12

- a Summarize the legacy of Alabama-based military units, their performance, and their contributions to battle, including the 167th Infantry Regiment and the Tuskegee Airmen. SS24.AS.12A
- b Describe the mobilization of Alabama industries and people on the home front during World War I and World War II. SS24.AS.12B

13 Evaluate the ways in which Alabamians and Alabama military installations supported American interests during military conflicts of the Cold War and present day. SS24.AS.13

Civil Rights SS24.AS.CR

14 Explain how emancipation and Reconstruction produced both an expansion of rights and freedoms and a backlash against this expansion. SS24.AS.14

- a Trace the history of Black institutions in Alabama from their establishment during Reconstruction to the present. SS24.AS.14A
- b Evaluate the role of new labor systems, Black Codes, and violence in stemming civil rights progress following Reconstruction in Alabama. SS24.AS.14B

15 Evaluate the extent to which civil rights reformers in Alabama at the turn of the twentieth century successfully challenged the emergence of the Jim Crow South. SS24.AS.15

- a Describe the role of women reformers in promoting reform, including Margaret Murray Washington and Julia Tutwiler. SS24.AS.15A
- b Explain the role of individuals and communities in helping to expand educational and entrepreneurial opportunities for Black Alabamians at the turn of the twentieth century. SS24.AS.15B

16 Explain how major Alabama civil rights campaigns brought about federal action and the resulting expansion of civil and human rights. SS24.AS.16

- a Describe how civil rights campaigns in Alabama were led by a coalition of local, grassroots organizations and national civil rights leaders and organizations. SS24.AS.16A
- b Identify ways in which opponents of the Civil Rights Movement in Alabama sought to limit its success. SS24.AS.16B
- c Identify civil rights leaders and foot soldiers in Alabama, and explain their contributions to fostering change in the state. SS24.AS.16C

17 Explain the contributions of civil rights tourism to Alabama’s modern-day economy. SS24.AS.17

Government SS24.AS.GOV

18 Summarize the creation and composition of the Alabama Constitution of 1901 and formulate an argument for constitutional reform in Alabama. SS24.AS.18

19 Describe the relationship between Alabama’s state government and local governments, considering the concept of home rule and Dillon’s Rule. SS24.AS.19

20 Compare and contrast the roles of statewide elected officials, including the governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, and attorney general. SS24.AS.20

- a Describe the state court system in Alabama, and explain how the election of judges in Alabama differs from the appointment of judges at the federal level. SS24.AS.20A
- b Differentiate among the types of state bureaucratic bodies in Alabama, including commissions, boards, and agencies. SS24.AS.20B
- c Research and report on significant political figures in Alabama history who have shaped the state and nation through their actions and initiatives. SS24.AS.20C

Economics SS24.AS.E

21 Explain the interrelationship among geography, natural resources, and the development of Alabama’s economy from the early nineteenth century into the early twentieth century. SS24.AS.21

- a Describe ways in which Alabama’s geography contributes to the state’s present-day tourism industry. SS24.AS.21A
- b Evaluate the extent to which agriculture and natural resources remain a significant component of Alabama’s modern economy. SS24.AS.21B

22 Analyze the influence of federal spending on the growth of Alabama’s economy from the New Deal to the present. SS24.AS.22

23 Describe the impact of World War I and World War II on industrialization and urbanization in Alabama. SS24.AS.23

24 Develop an argument supporting or denying the premise that globalization has benefited Alabama's economy since the 1990s, considering industries gained and lost. SS24.AS.24

25 Explain the role of Alabama in the global economy based on its major imports and exports. SS24.AS.25