

Social Studies
Grade 2
Unit: Civics

Word:	What it is:
President	The leader of our country.
Governor	The leader of our state.
Mayor	The leader of a city.
government	A system of ruling a country or state.
laws	A rule made by a government for all the people in a town, state or country.
rules	A statement of what to do and not to do.
symbols	Something that stands for something else.
citizen	A member of a country or group.

Essential Question:	Answer:
1. Why do we need rules and laws?	We need rules and laws to protect the rights of citizens, keep them safe and to keep things running in an orderly way.
2. Why do we need to have a government?	We need government to make and enforce laws.
3. What are ways you can be a good citizen?	You can be a good citizen by following the rules, working hard and respecting and helping others.
4. What are the symbols of the United States?	See other side of this paper for the symbols.