

Family Newsletter for Unit 5

In the Past



The Big Idea

Why is the past important to you today?

- **Content Standard 5.0** History involves people, events, and issues. The student will evaluate evidence to develop comparative and causal analyses, and to interpret primary sources. He or she will construct sound historical arguments and perspectives on which informed decisions in contemporary life can be based.

Learn About It

In this unit your child will learn:

- ways to talk about time
- about American Indians and European settlers and how communities change
- ways to learn about the past
- about Tennessee heroes
- about national, state, and community celebrations

Here is one way you can help your child learn:

Family Activity

A Book of Heroes Ask your child about heroes that he or she learned about in this unit. Talk about your own definition of a hero. Give examples of people you consider heroes and ask your child to identify some heroes. Make a list of heroes. Have your child illustrate each one. Work together to write the person's name and why he or she is a hero. Staple the pages together to make a book.



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