

# Family Newsletter for Unit 6

## Then and Now

### The Big Idea

#### What makes a good leader?

- **Content Standard 1.0** Culture encompasses similarities and differences among people, including beliefs, knowledge, changes, values, and traditions.
- **Content Standard 4.0** Civic efficacy requires understanding rights and responsibilities, ethical behavior, and the role of citizens within their community, nation, and world.
- **Content Standard 5.0** History involves people, events and issues.

### Learn About It

In this unit, your child will learn:

- about slavery and the reasons behind the division between the North and South and the beginning of the Civil War;
- the different people and cultures in the United States today and the rights and responsibilities of citizenship.

Here is a way you can help your child learn:

### Family Activity

**Family trees** Many Americans can trace their heritage to another country. Work together to create a family tree. Try to go back as far into the past as you can. When did your family come to the United States?



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