

<b>Essential Understandings</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ There are other nations with different forms of government.</li> <li>▪ Nations of the world have become increasingly interdependent politically, environmentally, and economically.</li> </ul>
<b>Essential Questions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ How does the United States interact with other nations?</li> <li>▪ What are some systems of government?</li> <li>▪ What features make up a culture?</li> <li>▪ How does American culture compare and contrast with that of another country?</li> <li>▪ How does the exchange of goods and services create economic interdependence?</li> </ul>
<b>Essential Knowledge</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The United States interacts with other nations politically, economically, and culturally.</li> <li>▪ Some systems of government include: democracy, monarchy, dictatorship, communism, and republic.</li> <li>▪ Cultures are determined by various features including: language, religion, traditions, and the arts.</li> <li>▪ In a global economy countries share their resources through exporting and importing desired goods.</li> </ul>
<b>Vocabulary</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <u>Terms:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ culture, human rights, dictatorship, monarchy, republic, democracy, communism, trade, defense, citizens, traditions, import, export</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Essential Skills</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Tell how the United States interacts with other nations.</li> <li>▪ Identify some systems of government.</li> <li>▪ List some features of a culture in another country.</li> <li>▪ Compare and contrast American culture to another culture.</li> <li>▪ Explain how the exchange of goods and services creates economic interdependence.</li> </ul>
<b>Related Maine Learning Results</b>	<p><u>Social Studies</u>  <u>Civics and Government</u>  D. International Relations</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Identify examples of how the United States interacts with other countries (e.g., trade, treaties).</li> <li>2. Compare a foreign culture to that of the United States. Include an analysis of how decisions are made.</li> </ol> <p><u>Economic</u>  D. International Trade and Global Interdependence</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Describe, with examples, how the exchange of goods and services helps to create economic interdependence between people in different places and countries.</li> </ol>
<b>Sample Lessons And Activities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ International dinner—bread banquet, dessert banquet.</li> <li>▪ Guest speakers (International, or world travelers).</li> <li>▪ E-Pals from other countries.</li> <li>▪ Community based project.</li> </ul>

<b>Sample Classroom Assessment Methods</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Create a PowerPoint or Hyper studio presentation about a specific country or countries.</li><li>▪ Research based country report.</li></ul>
<b>Sample Resources</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <u>Publications:</u><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <u>Countries of the World Series</u> - Bridgestone</li><li>○ <u>A Ticket To...Series</u> - Carol Rhoda Books</li><li>○ <u>True Books Series</u> - Children's Press</li><li>○ <u>Welcome To My Country Series</u> - Gareth Stevens</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>Technology Link</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <a href="http://www.brunswick.k12.me.us/curriculum">http://www.brunswick.k12.me.us/curriculum</a></li></ul>