

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](#)
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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](#)
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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](#)
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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](#)
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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](#)
