

## Social Studies Performance Task 8-2

### Standard(s):

- **SS3b – Time, continuity, and change:** Investigate, interpret and analyze multiple historical viewpoints as related to important events.

#### The Task:

The United States has been involved in many conflicts which have been violently settled.

1. Choose one conflict from the following list:
  - The displacement of Native Americans
  - The War of 1812
  - The American Revolution
  - The Mexican War
  - The Civil War
2. Investigate the conflict from two different viewpoints and defend each by:
  - Preparing a multimedia presentation
  - Participating in a debate
  - Writing and presenting a speech to your classmates that proposes a nonviolent solution to the conflict based upon the historical context of that period

#### Circumstances of Performance:

The student work is produced under the following conditions:

alone

in a group

in class

as homework

with teacher feedback

with peer feedback

timed

extended project

no opportunity for revision

opportunity for revision

#### Criteria for Success:

- Uses appropriate primary sources and presents concrete examples
- Demonstrates clarity of ideas and expressions while using information from a variety of sources
- Presents both sides of the conflict

#### Related Standard(s):

- **SS3c – Time, Continuity, and Change:** Summarize the economic, political, and social changes that resulted from conflicts and compromises.
- **SS8d – Power, authority, and governance:** Examine the impact of conflicts on the American government system.