

Overview of the Standard START Course

Listed here are the 21 collections of reading sets (labeled A – U) and where they fit into the eight segments (labeled I – VIII) and 24 sessions of the Standard 24-Session START course.

Session	Topic / Readings
	I. Introduction to START
1	Topic: Introduction to START and Personal Introductions to Other Participants
2	Reading Sets Collection A: Learning about START Overview Article A 47 p.
	II. Another World is Possible
3	Reading Sets Collection B. Another World is Possible — A Few Positive Examples Overview Article B 11 p. Reading Set B1: Economics and Social Welfare — U.S. 39 p. Reading Set B2: Economics and Social Welfare — International 33 p. Reading Set B3: The Environment 25 p. Reading Set B4: Conflict and Justice 37 p. Reading Set B5: Democracy and the Political Process 27 p.
<i>Understanding Problems and Identifying Solutions</i>	
	III. Meeting Basic Human Needs — Physical Systems
4	Reading Sets Collection C. Air, Water, Land, and Food Overview Article C 3 p. Reading Set C1: Air 54 p. Reading Set C2: Water 82 p. Reading Set C3: Land Use, Development, Erosion, Sprawl 34 p. Reading Set C4: Food and Farming 35 p. Reading Set C5: Agribusiness, Ownership of Seed, Genetically-Modified Organisms 70 p.
5	Reading Sets Collection D. Industrialization and Energy Use Overview Article D 7 p. Reading Set D1: Industrialization, Mass Production 58 p. Reading Set D2: Consuming Natural Resources, Mining, Drilling, Logging 28 p. Reading Set D3: Fossil Fuels: Coal, Oil, and Gas 68 p. Reading Set D4: Nuclear Power 48 p. Reading Set D5: Conservation of Energy, Solar Heating, Photovoltaic and Wind Power 31 p.
6	Reading Sets Collection E. Environment and Sustainability Overview Article E 13 p. Reading Set E1: Pollution, Toxic Wastes, Garbage 29 p. Reading Set E2: Destruction of Habitat and Extinction of Species 29 p. Reading Set E3: Global Warming 71 p. Reading Set E4: The Limits to Growth 35 p. Reading Set E5: Sustainable Environmental Practice 48 p.

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	IV. Meeting Basic Human Needs — Economic Systems
7	Reading Sets Collection F. Economic Systems Overview Article F 12 p. Reading Set F1: History of Economic Systems 72 p. Reading Set F2: Capitalism 90 p. Reading Set F3: Socialism and Communism 43 p. Reading Set F4: Current Economic Issues 39 p. Reading Set F5: New Economic Directions 78 p.
8	Reading Sets Collection G. Meeting Basic Needs in the U.S. Overview Article G 15 p. Reading Set G1: Housing, Transportation 113 p. Reading Set G2: Healthcare 56 p. Reading Set G3: Working Conditions and Consumer Choices 42 p. Reading Set G4: Poor and Working Class People 102 p. Reading Set G5: Wealth and Inequality 45 p.
9	Reading Sets Collection H. Global Economics Overview Article H 11 p. Reading Set H1: Corporations as Persons 55 p. Reading Set H2: Corporate Irresponsibility and Crime 58 p. Reading Set H3: Trade, Global Economics, Multinational Corporations 58 p. Reading Set H4: Privatization 71 p. Reading Set H5: Global Economic Conditions 61 p.
	V. Providing Safety
10	Reading Sets Collection I. International Security Overview Article I 12 p. Reading Set I1: Military Spending and the Military-Industrial Complex 59 p. Reading Set I2: U.S. Military Intervention in Other Countries 51 p. Reading Set I3: Militarism and Its Effects 52 p. Reading Set I4: International Law, the United Nations, and Citizen Diplomacy 53 p. Reading Set I5: Nonviolent Struggle and Intervention 63 p.
11	Reading Sets Collection J. Personal Safety Overview Article J 12 p. Reading Set J1: Intimate Violence 59 p. Reading Set J2: Violence in the Community 51 p. Reading Set J3: Organized Violence against Humans — Trafficking and Slavery 52 p. Reading Set J4: Policing and the Law 53 p. Reading Set J5: Prisons and Punishment 63 p.

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	VI. Living Together
12	Reading Sets Collection K. Governance Overview Article K 20 p. Reading Set K1: History of Governance - Tribalism to International Law 76 p. Reading Set K2: Theories of Governance 41 p. Reading Set K3: Democracy 32 p. Reading Set K4: Domestic Governance Issues 23 p. Reading Set K5: Global Governance Issues 41 p.
13	Reading Sets Collection L. Ways We Are Divided Overview Article L 13 p. Reading Set L1: Race, Religion, Ethnicity 59 p. Reading Set L2: Age, Ability 40 p. Reading Set L3: Gender, Sexual Identity 26 p. Reading Set L4: Class 54 p. Reading Set L5: Multiculturalism, Respect, Inclusion 36 p.
14	Reading Sets Collection M. Community Overview Article M 6 p. Reading Set M1: Principles and Frameworks 60 p. Reading Set M2: Planned and Intentional Communities 42 p. Reading Set M3: Community Based on Geography: Neighborhoods, Towns, and Cities 29 p. Reading Set M4: Community Based on Shared Identity 45 p. Reading Set M5: Global Community 34 p.
15	Reading Sets Collection N. Communicating Information and Values Overview Article N 8 p. Reading Set N1: Language 42 p. Reading Set N2: Education, Schooling 64 p. Reading Set N3: Propaganda, Advertising 51 p. Reading Set N4: Mass Media, Pop Culture 59 p. Reading Set N5: Internet, Web, E-Mail 69 p.
16	Topic: Exercises AND/OR Planning a Social Change Activity
	VII. Strategies for Positive Change
17	Reading Sets Collection O. Earlier Movements for Change x p. Overview Article O 11 p. Reading Set O1: Social Movements in Pre-WWI Europe and Asia 61 p. Reading Set O2: U.S. Abolitionism and Women's Suffrage Movements 58 p. Reading Set O3: U.S. Labor and Economic Justice Movements 47 p. Reading Set O4: U.S. Populist, Progressive, and Socialist Movements 29 p. Reading Set O5: Conservation, Peace, and Human Rights Movements 64 p.

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18	<p>Reading Sets Collection P. Later Movements for Change x p.</p> <p>Overview Article P 10 p.</p> <p>Reading Set P1: Economic Justice Movements 63 p.</p> <p>Reading Set P2: National/Political Liberation Movements 41 p.</p> <p>Reading Set P3: Peace and Environmental Movements 75 p.</p> <p>Reading Set P4: Racial/Ethnic Justice Movements 41 p.</p> <p>Reading Set P5: Women’s, Gay Rights, and Human Rights Movements 52 p.</p>
19	<p>Reading Sets Collection Q. Personal and Cultural Transformation</p> <p>Overview Articles Q 6 p.</p> <p>Reading Set Q1: Cynicism, Hope, Empowerment 46 p.</p> <p>Reading Set Q2: Lifestyle Changes 32 p.</p> <p>Reading Set Q3: Cultural Change, Memes, Education, Persuasion 63 p.</p> <p>Reading Set Q4: Healing Emotional Wounds 16 p.</p> <p>Reading Set Q5: Finding Common Ground 78 p.</p>
20	<p>Reading Sets Collection R. Building Alternatives</p> <p>Overview Article R 13 p.</p> <p>Reading Set R1: Cooperatives, Associations 41 p.</p> <p>Reading Set R2: Worker-, Community-, or Government-Owned and -Controlled Businesses 73 p.</p> <p>Reading Set R3: Non-Profit Businesses, Locally-Owned and -Controlled Businesses 37 p.</p> <p>Reading Set R4: Participatory Democracy/Consensus Decision-Making 48 p.</p> <p>Reading Set R5: Cultural Alternatives 56 p.</p>
21	<p>Reading Sets Collection S. Challenging Existing Structures</p> <p>Overview Articles S 11 p.</p> <p>Reading Set S1: Advocacy 25 p.</p> <p>Reading Set S2: Electoral Politics 67 p.</p> <p>Reading Set S3: Community Organizing 63 p.</p> <p>Reading Set S4: Protest Politics 58 p.</p> <p>Reading Set S5: Building Movements and Coalitions 61 p.</p>
22	<p>Reading Sets Collection T. Theories and Strategies</p> <p>Overview Article T x p.</p> <p>Reading Set T1: Strategizing for Change 49 p.</p> <p>Reading Set T2: Nonviolent Movements 64 p.</p> <p>Reading Set T3: Violence, Pacifism, and Nonviolent Action 62 p.</p> <p>Reading Set T4: Building Mass Movements 57 p.</p> <p>Reading Set T5: The Spectrum of Political Opinion 54 p.</p>
VIII. Next Steps	
23	Topic: Exercises OR Planning a Social Change Activity
24	<p>Reading Sets Collection U. Next Steps</p> <p>Overview Article U x p.</p>