

# 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Resources

## United States Studies (1763 to 1900s)

Students understand the history of the United States within an integrated approach.

### Course Considerations:

- Historic and economic events from American Revolution to Industrialism including but not limited to the American Revolution, Constitutional Convention, westward expansion, Civil War and Reconstruction, and growth of industrial and urban America looking at origins, founders, and key political, economic, and social figures as they relate to the events outlined above such as technological developments, urbanization, territorial expansion, industrialization, political parties, and universal suffrage
- Creation of the Constitution and the principles within the document including historical and philosophical influences, influence of state constitutions, Articles of Confederation, compromises and ratification debates at the Constitutional Convention, Bill of Rights, limited government, popular sovereignty, federalism, rule of law, checks and balances, and separation of powers
- Development and structure of the national government including the Preamble, the three branches, examples of powers granted to each branch, powers granted to the states and individuals, the Bill of Rights, and current issues in regard to federalism and rights
- Influence of immigration including push/pull factors, industrialization, urbanization, diversification of the population, and debates over immigration
- Contributions of various cultural and ethnic groups to the changing social and political structure of the United States
- Roles and responsibilities as citizens of the United States including participation in the political system
- Examination of primary and secondary sources including written and oral histories, images, and artifacts with special attention being given to founding documents including the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution and amendments, and landmark Supreme Court cases
- Inclusion of historical fiction, images, books, graphic novels, in addition to informational texts
- Disciplinary skills and processes including change and continuity over time, multiple perspectives, using and understanding sources, and cause and effect

**NOTE:** Resources may be listed as a different grade based upon national or other state curriculum. Please search by topic for sources to use.

Resource	Website	Description
2019 Notable Social Studies Books	<a href="https://www.cbcbooks.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/NOTABLES2019_PreviewList2.pdf">https://www.cbcbooks.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/NOTABLES2019_PreviewList2.pdf</a>	List of notable books to teach and use for social studies broken down by grade band. There are also past lists available at <a href="https://www.cbcbooks.org/readers/reading-lists/best-of-lists/notable-social-studies/">https://www.cbcbooks.org/readers/reading-lists/best-of-lists/notable-social-studies/</a> .
Arizona Geographic Alliance	<a href="https://geoalliance.asu.edu/">https://geoalliance.asu.edu/</a>	Lessons and resources with a geography focus. Lessons are searchable by topic and grade level.
C3 Inquiry	<a href="http://www.c3teachers.org/inquiries/">http://www.c3teachers.org/inquiries/</a>	Search by topic to find inquiries that cover the course considerations. Use all or part of the inquiries in your classes.

Docs Teach	<a href="https://www.docsteach.org/">https://www.docsteach.org/</a>	Wide variety of primary sources from the National Archives covering U.S. History. Includes online tools to create activities based on the primary sources selected. Can modify images for 5 <sup>th</sup> grade.
Newsela	<a href="https://newsela.com/">https://newsela.com/</a>	Current events searchable by topic, and grade level. Manipulate the lexile of the article to suit your students' needs.
Digital Public Library of America	<a href="https://dp.la/primary-source-sets/">https://dp.la/primary-source-sets/</a>	Primary source documents and lessons on U.S. history. Many may be adapted for 5 <sup>th</sup> grade.
CommonLit	<a href="https://www.commonlit.org">https://www.commonlit.org</a>	Search the library for texts on a variety of subjects. Sources and lessons searchable by lexile and include reading guides.
Project Learn Smart	<a href="https://www.projectlooksharp.org/?action=main">https://www.projectlooksharp.org/?action=main</a>	Sources and lessons organized by topic or by grade level and contains a media literacy focus. Many come with teacher and student guides.
Read Works	<a href="https://www.readworks.org/">https://www.readworks.org/</a>	Similar to Newsela. Searchable sources for social studies with adaptable lexile levels. Great resource for many topics.
Primary Source Nexus	<a href="http://primarysourcenus.org/psn-resources/themed-link-sets/cps-social-studies/">http://primarysourcenus.org/psn-resources/themed-link-sets/cps-social-studies/</a>	Resource partnered with the Library of Congress. Searchable topics and grade levels and includes lessons.
Teaching Tolerance	<a href="https://www.tolerance.org/">https://www.tolerance.org/</a>	Great K-12 lessons, posters, and film on civics, history, geography, and economics with a focus on tolerance and community.
PBS Media Learning	<a href="https://az.pbslearningmedia.org/subjects/social-studies/">https://az.pbslearningmedia.org/subjects/social-studies/</a>	Interactives, videos, lessons, galleries, audio, images, and documents all for K-12. Search by topics in addition to grade level.
EDSITEment	<a href="https://edsitement.neh.gov/">https://edsitement.neh.gov/</a>	Lessons from the National Endowment for the Humanities. All lessons are searchable by grade level or subject/topic.
Council for Economic Education	<a href="https://www.econedlink.org/">https://www.econedlink.org/</a>	K-12 lessons on economic principles. Many are hands on and interactive.
Brain Pop Jr.	<a href="https://jr.brainpop.com/">https://jr.brainpop.com/</a>	High quality short videos on a variety of subjects K-6. No corresponding resources.
The Smithsonian Museum Lab	<a href="http://smithsonianeducation.org/">http://smithsonianeducation.org/</a>	Huge number of resources for many topics, not just social studies. Resources include lessons, video clips, and interactives. Read or watch the getting started guide to narrow your searches.
Teaching History.org	<a href="https://teachinghistory.org/teaching-materials">https://teachinghistory.org/teaching-materials</a>	Searchable lessons and resources for K-12 as well as teacher methodologies.
Annenberg Learner	<a href="https://www.learner.org/">https://www.learner.org/</a>	Annenberg Media's K-12 site for videos, lessons, and interactives. Other content areas are available as well.