

Social Studies Sites and Resources

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Inquiry:

<http://www.c3teachers.org/>

C3 Teachers - Includes lesson plans, blogs, and resources for inquiry-based units and lessons

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/new-york-state-k-12-social-studies-resource-toolkit>

Engage New York - A website collection of Inquiry Design Modules (IDMs) in a variety of social studies content areas

History:

<https://sheg.stanford.edu/rh>

Stanford's Reading Like a Historian Curriculum - This site has classroom lessons designed to focus on historical thinking skills and reading like a historian. It includes posters on historical thinking skills, and all primary sources and images are included in the U.S. and world history lesson plans. You have to create a user name and password, but the site and lessons are free.

<http://www.fordham.edu/Halsall/mod/modsbook.asp>

Fordham University's Internet Modern History Sourcebook - This site contains links to thousands of other sites and sources that are organized chronologically by historical topics and eras.

<http://www.teachinghistory.org/>

This website, the national clearinghouse for Teaching American History grant projects, includes great ideas for teaching historical thinking. It includes lesson plans with sources for all grade levels and is searchable by topic and grade level.

<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/index.html>

The Library of Congress American Memory site includes primary sources that are searchable by topic or time period.

<http://besthistorysites.net/>

Best of History Websites - This site was assembled by EdTech Teacher and contains links to over 1200 websites and is searchable by various social studies topics and time periods.

<http://chnm.gmu.edu/worldhistorysources/whmfinding.php>

Center for History and New Media, George Mason University - This website contains links to primary sources arranged by time period and geographic region.

<http://www.mission-us.org/>

Mission US has created 4 interactive history simulations: For Crown or Colony?, Flight to Freedom, A Cheyenne Odyssey, and A City of Immigrants. Each mission has teacher resources, lesson plan ideas, and primary sources to use as students play through the game.

<http://www.teachtci.com/programs/elementary/social-studies-alive-textbook/americas-past/>

Teacher's Curriculum Institute (History Alive) - Sign up for a 30-day free trial to have access to lessons from a content series. TCI SS lessons use 5 student-centered strategies: Visual Discovery, Skill Builders, Experiential Exercise, Writing for Understanding, Response Groups, & Problem Solving Groupwork

Primary Source Templates & Political Cartoons:

<http://www.loc.gov/teachers/usingprimarysources/guides.html>

Library of Congress primary sources guides and analysis tools - This site provides templates for analyzing oral histories, maps, political cartoons, photographs, manuscripts, sheet music, etc.

<http://www.archives.gov/education/lessons/>

This National Archives site has a collection of teaching with documents lesson plans organized by historical time period. This site also has templates for analyzing primary sources.

<http://www.harpweek.com/>

This website includes a great collection of historical political cartoons that are searchable by time period and topic.

Economics:

http://www.federalreserveeducation.org/resources/topics/federal_reserve.cfm#

Federal Reserve Board: Go to Classroom resources – There are lesson plans organized by topic and grade level. It also includes a series of lessons relating economics to children's literature.

<http://www.econedlink.org/> - EconEd Link has lesson plans and teacher resources that are searchable by grade and topic.

Government:

<http://billofrightsintstitute.org/>

The Bill of Rights Institute website includes lesson plans, articles on the Bill of Rights in the news, and information on the Founding Fathers.

<http://constitutioncenter.org/learn/>

The National Constitution website includes lesson plans, primary sources, interactive games, videos, and news articles on many topics related to the Constitution. It is searchable by topic and grade level.

<http://www.landmarkcases.org>

This site was developed to provide teachers with a full range of resources and activities to support the teaching of landmark Supreme Court cases, helping students explore the key issues of each case.

<http://www.tolerance.org>

Teaching Tolerance has articles and lesson plans on various current events issues.

Geography:

<http://www.nationalgeographic.com>

National Geographic has a Daily News link with articles on history, geography, and current events. It includes a variety of teaching resources with a map link.

<https://kygeogalliance.wordpress.com>

Kentucky Geographical Alliances' website has resources and a variety of maps.