



United States History & Geography – Grade 8

Primary Documents & Supporting Texts

| Colonialism | |
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| Standards: 8.1, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 8.6, 8.7, 8.8, 8.9, 8.10, 8.11, 8.12, 8.13, 8.14 | |
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| Excerpts from The First Virginia Charter, 1606 | http://chnm.gmu.edu/7tah/unitdocs/unit14/lesson1/vacharter.pdf |
| Excerpts from The Mayflower Compact, 1620 | http://www.let.rug.nl/usa/documents/1600-1650/mayflower-compact-1620.php |
| Excerpts from the Charter of Massachusetts Bay Colony, 1629 | http://www.let.rug.nl/usa/documents/1600-1650/charter-of-massachusetts-bay-1629.php |
| Excerpts from The Fundamental Orders of Connecticut, 1639 | http://oll.libertyfund.org/pages/1639-fundamental-orders-of-connecticut |
| Excerpts from The Maryland Toleration Act, 1649 | http://www.let.rug.nl/usa/documents/1600-1650/the-maryland-toleration-act-1649.php |
| Excerpts from The New England Articles of Confederation | http://avalon.law.yale.edu/17th_century/art1613.asp |
| Excerpts from A Historie of Virginia, (“starving time”) John Smith | http://www.americanjourneys.org/pdf/AJ-082.pdf |

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| Excerpts from Of Plymouth Plantation, William Bradford | http://www.histarch.illinois.edu/plymouth/bradford.html |
| Development of a New Nation | |
| Standards: 8.15, 8.16, 8.17, 8.18, 8.19, 8.20, 8.21, 8.22, 8.23, 8.24, 8.25, 8.26, 8.27 | |
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| Excerpts from “Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death” speech, Patrick Henry | http://avalon.law.yale.edu/18th_century/patrick.asp |
| Excerpts from The Declaration of Independence | http://history.hanover.edu/courses/excerpts/111decin.html |
| Excerpts from “Common Sense” and “The Crisis,” Thomas Paine | http://www.loc.gov/teachers/classroommaterials/presentationsandactivities/p |
| Excerpts from “Common Sense” and “The Crisis,” Thomas Paine | http://www.oberlin.edu/faculty/gkornbl/H397F10/Common%20Sense%20-%20excerpts.htm |
| Excerpts from Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin | http://history.hanover.edu/courses/excerpts/111frank.html |
| Excerpts from Andrew Hamilton’s closing argument in the trial of John Peter Zenger | http://www.encyclopedia.com/doc/1G2-3498200020.html |
| Excerpts from John Donelson’s journal | http://www.tn.gov/tsla/founding_docs/33635_Transcript.pdf |
| The Constitution and Foundation of the American Political System | |
| Standards: 8.28, 8.29, 8.30, 8.31, 8.32, 8.33, 8.34, 8.35, 8.36, 8.37 | |
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| Excerpts from The Articles of Confederation | http://kentschools.net/bhaggerty/files/2010/08/Articles-of-Confederation-WS.pdf |
| Excerpts from the U.S. Constitution | http://www.etsu.edu/cas/tahg/pictures/Revolution/documents/Excerpts from the U.pdf |
| Excerpts from The Federalist Paper # 10 and #51 | http://www.ourdocuments.gov/doc.php?flash=true&doc=10&page=transcript |

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| Excerpts The Bill of Rights | http://history.hanover.edu/courses/excerpts/111dec.html |
| Excerpts Washington's Farewell Address | http://chnm.gmu.edu/7tah/unitdocs/unit8/pdfs/materials.pdf |
| Excerpts from The Kentucky and Virginia Resolutions, Thomas Jefferson and James Madison | http://edsitement.neh.gov/sites/edsitement.neh.gov/files/worksheets/Kentucky |
| Excerpts from Patrick Henry's arguments against ratification | http://users.wfu.edu/zulick/340/henry.html |

Growth of the Young Nation

Standards:

8.38, 8.39, 8.40, 8.41, 8.42

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| Excerpts from the journals of Lewis and Clark | http://lewisandclarkjournals.unl.edu/ |
| Excerpts from decision in Marbury vs. Madison, John Marshall | http://edsitement.neh.gov/lesson-plan/john-marshall-marbury-v-madison-and- |
| Excerpts from decision in Gibbons v. Ogden, John Marshall | http://www.ourdocuments.gov/doc.php?flash=true&doc=24 |
| Excerpts from John Marshall's decisions in McCulloch v. Maryland | https://www.law.cornell.edu/supremecourt/text/17/316 |
| Excerpts from "Rip Van Winkle", Washington Irving | http://classclit.about.com/library/bl-etexts/wirving/bl-wirving-rip.htm |
| Excerpts from "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow", Washington Irving | http://www.gutenberg.org/files/41/41-h/41-h.htm |
| Excerpts from The Deerslayer series, James Fenimore Cooper | http://www.online-literature.com/cooperj/the-deerslayer/7/ |

The United States' Role on the World Stage

Standards:

8.43, 8.44, 8.45

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| Excerpts from The Monroe Doctrine | http://avalon.law.yale.edu/19th_century/monroe.asp |

The Sectionalism of the American North, South, and West

Standards:

8.46, 8.47, 8.48, 8.49, 8.50, 8.51, 8.52, 8.53, 8.54, 8.55, 8.56, 8.57, 8.58, 8.59, 8.60, 8.61, 8.62, 8.63

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Excerpts from “The Declaration of Sentiments,” Seneca Falls Convention

<http://ecssba.rutgers.edu/docs/seneca.html>

Excerpts from “Nature”, Ralph Waldo Emerson

<http://people.virginia.edu/~sfr/enam315/waldoemerson.html>

Excerpts from “Self-Reliance”, Ralph Waldo Emerson

http://public.wsu.edu/~brians/world_civ/worldcivreader/world_civ_reader_2/emerson.html

Excerpts from “Walden”, Henry David Thoreau

<http://ase.tufts.edu/gdae/CS/Walden.pdf>

Excerpts from “Civil Disobedience”, Henry David Thoreau

<http://xroads.virginia.edu/~hyper2/thoreau/civil.html>

Excerpts from “Ain’t I A Woman,” Sojourner Truth translated by Frances Dana Barker Gage

<http://schools.nyc.gov/NR/rdonlyres/E151FA9D-6017-4556-981F-CD076D731A72/0/SecondaryTextGuideAnswerKeyAintWoman.pdf>

Excerpts from Eliza Bryan of the New Madrid Earthquakes

<http://hsv.com/genlintr/newmadr/accnt1.htm>

Excerpts from Roughing It, Mark Twain

<http://www.huntington.org/education/goldrush/legac/RB47363tran.html>

Excerpts from A Narrative in the Life of David Crockett of the state of Tennessee, David Crockett

<http://www.gutenberg.org/files/37925/37925-h/37925-h.htm>

Slavery in America

Standards:

8.64, 8.65, 8.66, 8.67, 8.68, 8.69, 8.70, 8.71

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Excerpts from Uncle Tom’s Cabin, Harriet Beecher Stowe

<http://www.historytools.org/sources/stowe-UTC.pdf>

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| Excerpts from the Lincoln-Douglas Debates | http://www.stolaf.edu/people/fitz/COURSES/debates.htm |
| Excerpts from Roger Taney's decision in the Dred Scott case | http://caho-test.cc.columbia.edu/ps/10279.html |
| Excerpts from The Autobiography of Frederick Douglass, Frederick Douglass. | http://www.learnnc.org/lp/pages/2718 |

Civil War

Standards:

8.72, 8.73, 8.74, 8.75, 8.76, 8.77, 8.78, 8.79, 8.80, 8.81

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| Excerpts from the "House Divided" speech in 1858, Abraham Lincoln | http://www.abrahamlincolnonline.org/lincoln/speeches/house.htm |
| Excerpts from the Gettysburg Address in 1863, Abraham Lincoln | http://www.abrahamlincolnonline.org/lincoln/speeches/gettysburg.htm |
| Excerpts from the Emancipation Proclamation in 1863, Abraham Lincoln | http://herb.ashp.cuny.edu/items/show/820 |
| Excerpts from the Inaugural Address in 1861, Abraham Lincoln | http://www.let.rug.nl/usa/presidents/abraham-lincoln/first-inaugural-address-1861.php |
| Excerpts from the Inaugural Address in 1865, Abraham Lincoln | http://www.let.rug.nl/usa/presidents/abraham-lincoln/second-inaugural-add |
| Excerpts from The Respective of Co. Aytch, Sam Watkins | http://www.gutenberg.org/files/13202/13202.txt |

Reconstruction

Standards:

8.82, 8.83, 8.84, 8.85, 8.86, 8.87, 8.88, 8.89, 8.90

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| Excerpts from the Thirteenth Amendment to the Constitution | https://www.law.cornell.edu/constitution/amendmentxiii |
| Excerpts from the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution | https://www.law.cornell.edu/constitution/amendmentxiv |
| Excerpts from the Fifteenth Amendment to the Constitution | https://www.law.cornell.edu/constitution/amendmentxv |
| Excerpts from Black Codes | https://chnm.gmu.edu/courses/122/recon/code.html |
| Excerpts from Jim Crow Laws | http://americanhistory.si.edu/brown/history/1-segregated/jim-crow.html |

Westward Expansion after the Civil War

Standards:

8.91, 8.92, 8.93, 8.94, 8.95, 8.96, 8.97, 8.98

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| Excerpts from A Century of Dishonor, Helen Hunt Jackson | http://www.digitalhistory.uh.edu/disp_textbook.cfm?smtid=3&psid=715 |