

# AEI 2015 Resource List: Women's history

Following this year's successful Archives Education Institute (AEI), we have compiled the following resource list which contains general resources for teaching the Common Core with primary sources to more specialized resources from contributors of this year's AEI.

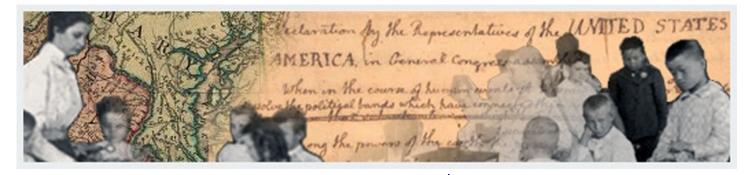
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# The Teaching with Primary Sources Journal

Strategies and resources for K-12 classrooms from the Library of Congress





## Primary Sources and the Common Core State Standards

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This issue illustrates how primary sources can support teaching to meet the Common Core State Standards (CCSS). Nearly every state in the country has adopted the CCSS, which present grade-by-grade goals devised to help students gain skills needed for college, career, and citizenship. These goals emphasize advanced literacy skills such as analyzing multiple points of view and providing evidence for conclusions beginning in elementary grades. Primary sources, which represent the raw materials of history, offer teachers and students a treasure trove of authentic documents and objects with which to hone these skills.

### About The TPS Journal

The Teaching with Primary Sources (TPS) Journal is an online publication created by the Library of Congress Educational Outreach Division in collaboration with the TPS Educational Consortium.

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### The TPS Journal Archive

Previous issues of *The Teaching with Primary Sources Journal*, formerly known as the *Teaching with Primary Sources Quarterly*, are available at

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# Primary Sources: At the Heart of the Common Core State Standards

By Rich Cairn

### What are the Common Core State Standards?

The Common Core State Standards (CCSS) outline grade-by-grade goals for all K-12 students—goals that are attuned to the advanced literacy skills needed for college, career and citizenship. The CCSS communicate a common understanding of what students should know and be able to do by their high school graduation. The standards are the result of a state-led initiative overseen by organizations of the nation's governors and state education commissioners. Nearly all states and the District of Columbia have adopted the CCSS.

### What role do primary sources play in meeting the standards?

Primary sources are integral to helping students achieve the CCSS. The standards require students to digest and apply information using discipline-specific skills, such as analysis, comparing sources, persuasive writing, and research. Students generate questions, take and organize notes, find, analyze, and cite sources. Additionally, learning new content vocabulary is essential, as is the ability to compare historical interpretations and form hypotheses. Note that literacy skills embedded in the CCSS include oral communication. Presentations provide vital opportunities for students to listen and speak.

Under the English Language Arts standards, students beginning in the earliest grades must substantiate written arguments with evidence. Students also learn to "gain, evaluate, and present increasingly complex information, ideas, and evidence through listening and speaking as well as media."

The Common Core approaches science and social studies with a particular emphasis on literacy. This has several implications for teaching with primary sources. The CCSS greatly increase the focus on informational text at all grades. Assessment designers explicitly recommend a 50-50 split between literature and informational texts, starting at the primary grades. Students must be able to use subject-specific concepts and particular academic vocabulary in context.

Through the grades, students increasingly shift to writing explanation, argument, and analysis. Students' capacity to source, organize, analyze, cite, discuss, and write about information gained from both primary and secondary sources is paramount.



Children studying a horse and buggy outside the Tyler School, Washington, D.C. . Johnston, Frances Benjamin, 1864-1952, photographer . 1899. Prints and Photographs Online Catalog. Library of Congress

Primary sources provide authentic materials for students to practice the skills required by the CCSS. Encouraging students to grapple with the raw materials of history, such as photographs, newspapers, film, audio files, government documents, and economic data, provides opportunities for them to practice critical thinking, analysis skills and inquiry.

What does using primary sources to achieve the CCSS look like in practice?

Teachers across grade levels and disciplines may wonder how to use primary sources to help students meet the CCSS. The following examples illustrate ways to address specific standards using primary sources from the Library of Congress.

### Elementary Level

While students in lower grades may not yet be proficient readers, the CCSS require them to demonstrate the ability to formulate ideas based on their analysis of texts. For example, the Reading Standards for Informational Text K-5 under English Language Arts require Grade 2 students to "Describe the connection between a series of historical events, scientific ideas or concepts, or steps in technical procedures in a text."

Primary sources in formats such as photographs, maps and sound recordings can help meet this requirement by providing rich learning opportunities for early readers.

For example, as part of a unit focusing on transportation, images relating to the development of the car could help students observe technological advances from the latter half of the nineteenth century to the present. For instance, they might analyze photographs, including a horse and buggy; a very early automobile; a Ford Model T; and a car from the 1950s. Students might compare car designs from the past to those of today, and speculate about the cultural shifts that led to, or resulted from, this evolving form of personal transportation.

By Grade 4, students are required to explain cause and effect using evidence identified in informational text. To address this standard, a teacher might select primary sources from The Dust Bowl Migrations Primary Source Set. Analyzing items from this set, which includes a map, photographs and song lyrics, will allow students to investigate the environmental disaster that triggered the largest migration in U.S. history.

Grade 5 students are required to, "Analyze multiple accounts of the same event or topic, noting important similarities and difference in the point of view they represent," under the English Language Arts standards. Teachers could select items from another primary source set, such as Women's Suffrage, to help students understand how people expressed different viewpoints through political cartoons, physical protests and publications, for example.

### Secondary Level

At grade levels 6-12, the CCSS provide distinct literacy standards for history/social studies, science, and technical subjects. Many of these discipline-specific standards implicitly include primary sources among essential types of evidence; some refer specifically to primary sources.

For example, Grades 6-8 students must "Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of primary and secondary sources," to meet Reading Standards, Key Ideas and Details, Standard 1. Students studying the Civil Rights Movement could read and cite evidence from a letter, such as Daisy Bates and the Little Rock Nine, which describes the treatment of African-American students who integrated their local high school.

Students can also explore and cite evidence from additional primary sources featured in the Library's online exhibition, "With an Even Hand": Brown v. Board at Fifty. The object list includes images and documents, including legal correspondence relating to the case.



Daisy Bates to NAACP Executive Secretary Roy Wilkins on the treatment of the Little Rock Nine, Dated December 17, 1957. Typed letter. NAACP Records, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress

Grades 11—12 students need to "Analyze in detail how a complex primary source is structured, including how key sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text contribute to the whole." To meet this reading standard, students might examine the rhetorical construction of a key speech such as Theodore Roosevelt's second inaugural address. Students can also learn from analyzing drafts of famous literary works, for example, the poems "The Ballad of Booker T.," by Langston Hughes and "O Captain, My Captain," by Walt Whitman.

A collection of manuscripts, such as The Thomas Jefferson Papers, could provide a varied yet manageable pool of sources that students could mine to inform an explanatory essay on the drafting of the Declaration of Independence.

The Common Core State Standards also call for skills with numerical, digital, and multi-media sources. Under Reading Standards for Grades 11—12, students, "Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., quantitative data, video, multimedia) in order to address a question or solve a problem. A nearly identical standard is in history/social studies.



Letter and corrected reprint of Walt Whitman's "O Captain, My Captain" with comments by author, 9 February 1888. Walt Whitman Collection. Library of Congress.

For example, for a unit on Immigration, students could analyze historical tables, charts and maps, such as those on page eight of a statistical atlas of the United States, based upon the results of the eleventh census. They can observe data trends going back to 1790 and compare this data to more recent U.S. census data. Students investigating a larger question, such as "How did Americans at the turn of the last century react to large numbers of new immigrants?" might analyze a leaflet from the Immigration Restriction League along with a 1916 sound recording of a popular song, "Don't Bite the Hand That's Feeding You," for

examples of expressed anti-immigrant sentiment. These and other primary sources in a range of formats are available in the Library's immigration-themed primary source set.

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Statistical atlas of the United States, based upon the results of the eleventh census Creator: United States Census office. Published Washington, Govt. print. off., 1898. Library of Congress

### Conclusion

Primary sources can provide the raw materials teachers need to support student achievement in the CCSS. Primary source-based learning is at the heart of the standards. Using photographs, maps, manuscripts, and other primary sources to engage students in learning and building critical thinking and constructing knowledge will help prepare students for success in school and beyond.

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# **Research and Current Thinking**

For each issue, Teaching with Primary Sources Consortium members submit summaries of and links to online resources—articles, research reports, Web sites, and white papers—that provide research and current thinking relating to the theme. This issue's Research & Current Thinking focuses on helping teachers use primary sources to help students meet the Common Core State Standards (CCSS).



Lee, Russell, 1903-1986, photographer Children at the blackboard. Lake Dick Project, Arkansas Prints and Photographs. Library of Congress

### Articles and Research: Common Core State Standards

www.hunt-institute.org/knowledge-library/articles/#articles-by-common-core-state-standards
The non-profit James B. Hunt, Jr. Institute for Educational Leadership and Policy's
website offers links to articles and videos on the topic of the CCSS.

**The Common Core: Literacy in History** *csmp.ucop.edu/files/resources/files/636\_CommonCore\_Source.pdf*This issue of *The Source*, a publication from the California History-Social Science Project, includes several articles on the CCSS, including: "Reading the Common Core Standards," "Together, Toward the Common Core in History-Social Science" and "The Common Core for History – No Fear!"

**Common Core State Standards Implementation Tools and Resources** *essentialeducator.org/?p=5890* This blog post from The Essential Educator, the online version of the *Utah Special Educator Journal*, provides a list of quality tools and resources available to states and educators as they implement the CCSS.

### Common Core State Standards Initiative www.corestandards.org/

The main website for the CCSS Initiative provides complete lists of Common Core State Standards, information about the standards and adoption process/timeline, as well as links to various other related resources.

**Disciplinary Literacy in the Social Studies** prezi.com/7gsmqjzuz1og/disciplinary-literacy-in-social-studies/ This online Prezi presentation from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, addresses implementing the CCSS for literacy in all subject areas.

**History and the Social Studies: At the Core of Common Core** www.mdcss.org/userfiles/file/History% 20and%20Social%20Studies%20-%20At%20the%20Core%20of%20the%20Common%20Core.pdf
This white paper written by the Maryland Council for the Social Studies gives a succinct and interesting explanation of the importance of social studies in CCSS discussions.

PARCC, one of two state-led consortiums developing CCSS-aligned assessments, provides information and resources, including Model Content Frameworks for ELA/Literacy (2011) and **Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium** www.smarterbalanced.org/ Information about and resources from a state-led consortium developing assessments aligned to the CCSS.

### **P21 Common Core Toolkit** p21.org/storage/documents/P21CommonCoreToolkit.pdf

The Partnership for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills published this guide to help state- and district-level educators align the CCSS with the Framework for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills. It includes lesson starters in addition to resources.

### Trickle or Tsunami?: Getting Involved with the Common Core Standards

teachinghistory.org/nhec-blog/25306

This blog post offers advice on interpreting the standards and connection between history and literacy, and urges social studies teachers to get involved in state and local efforts to understand and use the CCSS materials.

### What Do the Common Core State Standards Mean for History Teaching and Learning?

teachinghistory.org/issues-and-research/roundtable/25348

This National History Education Clearinghouse page shares educator expert statements voicing opinions regarding the impact of the CCSS on history education.

To access links to resources cited above visit the online version of this issue of *The Teaching with Primary Sources Journal* at http://www.loc.gov/teachers/tps/journal.

# **Learning Activity - Elementary Level**

# DETERMINING A POINT OF VIEW: PAUL REVERE AND THE BOSTON MASSACRE

### **Overview**

Students analyze Paul Revere's famous engraving of the Boston Massacre to consider his purpose and intent. Students use evidence from this primary source to examine Revere's point of view. They use information from a secondary source to discuss the value of using more than one source to gain insight into an event in history.

### **Objectives**

After completing this learning activity, students will be able to:

- Use primary source-based evidence to explore the creator's point of view; and
- Compare information from a primary source to a secondary source about an event

### **Time Required**

One or two class periods

### **Grade Level**

5 - 6

### Topic/s

American Revolution Primary Source Analysis

### Subject

American History

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The Bloody Massacre perpetrated in King Street Boston on March 5<sup>th</sup> 1770 by a party of the 29th Regt. Revere, Paul. 1770 Prints and Photographs Division, Library of Congress

### **Standards**

Common Core State Standards\_http://www.corestandards.org/ Reading: Informational Text

- RI.5.6. Analyze multiple accounts of the same event or topic, noting important similarities and differences in the point of view they represent.
- RI.6.6. Determine an author's point of view or purpose in a text and explain how it is conveyed in the text.
- RI.6.7. Integrate information presented in different media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively) as well as in words to develop a coherent understanding of a topic or issue.
- RI.6.8. Trace and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, distinguishing claims that are supported by reasons and evidence from claims that are not.

### **Credits**

Adapted from Blood Massacre - Or Was It? created by Emerging America, the Collaborative for Educational Services.

### View and download the complete learning activity:

http://www.loc.gov/teachers/tps/journal/common\_core/pdf/ElementaryLevelLearningActivity.pdf

# **Learning Activity - Secondary Level**

### TEACHING SPEAKING AND LISTENING SKILLS WITH PRIMARY SOURCES

### **Overview**

Students practice speaking and listening skills while exploring General Winfield Scott's "Orders No. 25" for the general removal of the Cherokee from their eastern lands.

### **Objectives**

After completing this learning activity, students will be able to:

- Explain in detail the nature and content of General Scott's orders regarding the Cherokee; and
- Practice college-ready listening and speaking skills

### **Time Required**

Two 45-minute class periods

### **Grade level**

9 - 12

### Topic/s

Cherokee Removal

### Subject

American History

### **Standards**

Common Core State Standards\_http://www.corestandards.org/ College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Speaking and Listening



Orders No. [25] Head Quarters, Eastern Division Cherokee Agency, Ten. May 17, 1838. Library of Congress

### Comprehension and Collaboration

- 1. Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.
- 3. Evaluate a speaker's point of view, reasoning, and use of evidence and rhetoric.

### Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas

- 4. Present information, findings, and supporting evidence such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning and the organization, development, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
- 6. Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and communicative tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate

### **Credits**

Adapted from a lesson plan created by Terry Roberts, National Paideia Center

### View and download the complete learning activity:

http://www.loc.gov/teachers/tps/journal/common\_core/pdf/SecondaryLevelLearningActivity.pdf

# **Teacher Spotlight**

Joyce Mason



In each issue, we introduce a teacher who participated in Teaching with Primary Sources (TPS) professional development and successfully uses Library of Congress primary sources to support effective instructional practices.

This issue's Teacher Spotlight features library media specialist Joyce Mason. The TPS program at California University of Pennsylvania nominated Joyce for her effective use of primary sources in helping students meet the Common Core State Standards (CCSS). An educator for more than 25 years, she has spent the last 17 years in her current position at Canon-McMillan High School in Canonsburg, Pennsylvania. In this interview, Joyce discusses teaching strategies and her favorite Library of Congress online resources.

# Tell us about the first time you tried teaching with primary sources.

As a library media specialist, I collaborate with teachers to enrich lessons. An example is a lesson developed for Jack London's *To Build a Fire*, which featured images to aid students in understanding the environment and challenges that the character in this short story faced. To introduce the story, students analyzed images from the Library of Congress's Prints and Photographs Online Catalog that depicted the Yukon, gold miners, packers hiking the mountains, clothing, and campsites. These images helped spur discussion about survival skills, knowledge versus instinct, a theme in the story, and connected a fictional story to actual history.

# Based on your experiences, how can teaching with primary sources help students meet the Common Core State Standards (CCSS)?

Integrating primary sources into design to develop a student-centric, inquiry-driven lesson helps engage students and develop critical thinking skills. Primary sources provide evidence for deep analysis, interpretation based on previous and new knowledge, and opportunities for comparison of different sources. In English Language Arts (ELA) standards of the CCSS, students must cite specific textual evidence to support primary and secondary source analysis. Primary sources provide the impetus for students to describe the source, summarize what it tells, contextualize the source, consider inferences, and finally ask, "What else do I need to know or find out?"

I designed an inquiry lesson for a social studies class that examined the theme of revolution, reaction, and reform as it pertained to the influx of immigrants during the 1900s and its effect on the people and government of the United States in what turned out to be a tumultuous two decades. The lesson aimed to answer the guiding historical question, "How did the reactions of the United States' citizens, politicians, and government to increased immigration and events abroad influence legislation resulting in the Immigration Act of 1924?"

Students responded to the editorial cartoon, The immigrant. Is he an acquisition or a detriment? This cartoon depicts the arrival of immigrants surrounded by conflicting interest groups. Students spent time analyzing the cartoon and researching characters in the drawing to contextualize it in time and place. We followed this with analysis of additional images as well as newspaper articles: unemployed workers in New York City, a print of the assassination of President McKinley, an 1914 article from *The New* York Times about a bomb explosion on Lexington Ave., the 1917 front page of a Minnesota newspaper with stories on strikes occurring across the nation and events in Europe, an image of the "Soviet Ark" used to deport Russians, and a 1919 article from *The New* York Times entitled, Senators Tell What Bolshevism in America Means. Students summarized, contextualized and analyzed information gleaned from these primary sources and a secondary source, Immigration Timeline from the Library of Congress, to decide what lead to the Immigration Act of 1924.

The CCSS (ELA-History/Social Studies grades 9–10) require citing textual evidence in primary and secondary sources, determining central ideas, analyzing series of events, comparing point of view, and determining meanings of words and phrases used in texts, including vocabulary describing political, social, or economic aspects of history/social science. The use of primary and secondary sources in this lesson met the appropriate Common Core standards.

# What is your favorite resource available on the Library of Congress Web site?

My favorite feature is "Today in History". It works as a bell ringer, discussion starter, comparison to current events, or writing prompt. Teachers look for activity ideas and this is a resource I always suggest.

# What advice do you have for teachers who have never tried teaching with primary sources?

Begin browsing resources especially for teachers to locate classroom materials and links on how to use primary sources. I also recommend the Teaching with the Library of Congress blog, which highlights many unique materials and strategies.



# **Suggested Methods for Integrating Primary Sources into Classroom Instruction**

### 1. Focus Activity

Introduce document analysis as a regular activity at the beginning of each class period to focus student attention on your day's topic. For example: Place a document on an overhead projector for students to see as they enter the room; or meet students at the door and hand them a document as they enter – as soon as the bell rings, begin a discussion.

### 2. Brainstorming Activity

Launch a brainstorming session prior to a new unit of study with a document. This will alert students to topics that they will study. For example: Distribute one or more documents to students and ask them what places, names, concepts, and issues are contained in it/them, along with what questions they prompt. Write these on a sheet of butcher paper. Keep this list posted in the room for the duration of the unit. Check off items as they are studied in the unit.

### 3. Visualization Exercise

Encourage students to visualize another place or time by viewing and analyzing graphic materials. For example: Post photographs, maps, and other visual materials created during the period that you are studying around your classroom. Change these images as the units change.

### 4. Project Inspiration

Let documents serve as examples for student created projects. For example: If your economics assignment is for students to create a poster encouraging young people to save money, share examples of WWII savings bond campaign posters with them.

### 5. Dramatic Presentation Activity

Use documents to inspire dramatic presentations by your students. For example: Share with students a presidential speech and ask a student volunteer to deliver it to the class; or ask a student to present a dramatic reading of a letter; or assign students to write a script containing quotes from primary source documents.

### 6. Writing Activity

Use documents to prompt a student writing activity. For example: Share with students a letter and ask them to either respond to it or write the letter that may have prompted it.

### 7. Listening Activity

Allow sound recordings to give students the sensation of being present at an historical event. For example: Dim the lights in your classroom while you play a sound clip from an historical event and ask students to describe or draw the scene and/or the emotions in the voices.

### 8. Creating a Documentary

Use vintage film footage to encourage student-created documentaries. For example: In place of a traditional unit assessment, assign student groups the creation of a ten minute documentary about the time period they have just studied. Ask them to incorporate film footage, photographs, sound, and quotes from other primary sources.

### 9. Cross-Curricular Activity

Use documents to suggest and reinforce collaboration with a colleague in another department on assignments for students. For example: If a physics teacher assigns students to create an invention, share with students a patent drawing and ask them to draw one for their invention along with a specification sheet. Or, share documents with students related to the novels (or author) that they are reading in Language Arts/English.

### 10. Current Events Activity (What is Past is Prologue)

Use document to launch a discussion about an issue or event in the news. For example: Select a document that relates to a person, event, or place that is currently in the news. Strip the document of information about the date of its creation and distribute it to students. Ask students to speculate about when it was created.

### 11. Drawing Connections Activity

Use documents to help students recognize cause and effect relationships. For example: Provide students with two seemingly unrelated documents and ask them to connect them using other documents. One possibility might be to ask them how the Lee Resolution and the Homestead Act are connected. Student answers might include, "Three committees were set up as a result of the Lee Resolution. One committee drafted the Declaration of Independence. Its principle author was Thomas Jefferson. He was the President at the time of the Louisiana Purchase. The territory that became part of the United States as a result of the Louisiana Purchase included much of the land that became available for settlement under the Homestead Act."

### 12. Integrating Geography Activity

Use documents to emphasize where significant events have taken place. For example: Post a large map of the United States or the world on the classroom wall. Each time a new milestone document is discussed, place a pin in the location where the document was created and/or where its impact was the greatest.

### 13. Small Group Hypothesis Activity

Use documents to encourage creative thinking about the significance of a particular document. For example: Divide students into small groups, provide them with a document, and ask them to consider "what if" the documents never existed.

### 14. Self-reflective Exercise

Use documents to prompt student understanding of how actions of the government and/or events of the past effect their lives today. For example: Provide students with copies of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment and the Voting Rights Act and ask students to consider the documents' implications on their lives.

### 15. Assessment

Incorporate documents into document-based essay questions to assess student knowledge of a topic or event. For example: Provide students with four documents that relate to westward expansion (such as, the Northwest Ordinance, the Homestead Act, the Pacific Railway Act, and the Morril Act). Ask them to use the information contained in the documents and their knowledge of the subject to write an essay explaining the federal government's role in the settling of the West.

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# **Educational Resources of the National Archives**



### I. Primary Sources

- National Archives <u>www.archives.gov/education</u>
  National Archives Education website.
- DocsTeach <u>www.docsteach.org</u> 7,000+ documents chosen by educators for students.
- National Archives Education Updates Blog <u>blogs.archives.gov/education</u>
   Regularly updated features about documents, programs and other topics.
- Online Public Access <u>www.archives.gov/research/search</u> *Millions of digital images available on a variety of topics.*
- Digital Vaults <u>www.digitalvaults.org</u>
  1,200 highlights from the National Archives; links to other resources.
- Fold3 (formerly Footnote.com) <u>www.fold3.com</u>

  Nearly 70,000,000 pages of digitized records; over 1,000,000 pages available for free.
- YouTube Channel <a href="www.youtube.com/usnationalarchives">www.youtube.com/usnationalarchives</a>
  Over 100 full length films, including topics such as World War II, NASA, and National Parks.
- Flickr Photostream <u>www.flickr.com/usnationalarchives</u>
   Over 7,000 photos including Mathew Brady's Civil War photos and the DOCUMERICA Project.
- HistoryPin <u>www.historypin.com/profile/view/USNatArchives/</u>
   View historic documents and photographs displayed over Google Maps.
- Pinterest Pinboard <u>www.pinterest.com/usnatarchives/</u>
  Pin historic documents and educational resources to your Pinterest board.
- Presidential Timeline <u>www.presidentialtimeline.org</u>

  Resources and exhibits related to President Hoover through President Clinton.
- Document Analysis Worksheets <u>www.archives.gov/education/lessons</u>

  Helps students analyze photos, political cartoons, posters, written documents, films, etc.

### II. Other Resources

- National Archives Education Facebook www.facebook.com/nationalarchiveseducation
- National Archives Education Twitter www.twitter.com/DocsTeach
- Citizen Archivist Project www.archives.gov/citizen-archivist
- Citing Records in the National Archives <a href="https://www.archives.gov/publications/general-info-leaflets/17.html">www.archives.gov/publications/general-info-leaflets/17.html</a>
- Democracy Starts Here! videocast.nih.gov/sla/NARA/dsh/index.html

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Letter from Elizabeth Burgin to Reverend James Calville docsteach.org/documents/5916026/detail



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### SISTERS AND FRIENDS:

As immortal souls, created by God to know and love him with all our hearts, and our neighbor as ourselves, we owe immediate obedience to his commands, respecting the sinful system of Slavery, beneath which, 2,500,000 of our Fellow-Immortals, children of the same country, are crushed, soul and body, in the the extremity of degradation and agony.

As women, it is incumbent upon us, instantly and always, to labor to increase the knowledge and the love of God, that such concentrated hatred of his character and laws may no longer be so intrenched in men's business and bosoms, that they dare not condemn and renounce it.

As wives and mothers, as sisters and daughters, we are deeply responsible for the influence we have on the human race. We are bound to exert it; we are bound to urge men to cease to do evil, and learn to do well. We are bound to urge them to regain, defend, and preserve inviolate the rights of all, especially those whom they have most deeply wronged. We are bound to the constant exercise of the only right we ourselves enjoy—the right which our physical weakness renders peculiarly appropriate—the right of petition. We are bound to try how much it can accomplish in the District of Columbia, or we are as verily guilty touching slavery as our brethren and sisters in the slaveholding States: for Congress possesses power 'to exercise exclusive legislation over the District of Columbia in all cases whatsoever,' by a provision of the Constitution; and by an act of the First Congress, the right of petition was secured to us.

By a resolution of the Last Congress, that no petition respecting slavery, shall be printed for the information of the members, and that no vote shall be taken on it, by which we may know whether the men we call our representatives are truly such, the whole nation is made to feel the slaveholder's scourge. The best and noblest of our countrymen, thus seeing, and thus feeling these things, have spoken and acted like freemen—Oh, let us aid them to rouse the slumbering manhood of the rest! Let us rise in the moral power of womanhood; and give utterance to the voice of outraged mercy, and insulted justice, and eternal truth, and mighty love, and holy freedom; in the name and for the sake of our Saviour; and in the mountain-moving faith, that we can do all things, Christ strengthening us.

Let us petition:—petition, till, even for our importunity, we cannot be denied. Let us know no rest till we have done our utmost to convince the mind, and to obtain the testimony of every woman, in every tows, in every county of our Commonwealth, against the horrible Slave-traffic, which makes the District of Columbia a disgrace to the earth, and exhibits in the centre of a Christian country, an unrebuked wickedness, for which, no other spot on earth affords a parallel.

To facilitate this, we annex a form of petition, and entreat the aid of every woman whose hand it reaches, to circulate it (or a better,) rapidly, faithfully and thoroughly, and to transmit the signatures, as soon as possible, to 46, Washington Street, Boston, addressed to the person whose name, as a member of our Executive Committee, shall to be affixed to this address.

A detail of the mere physical particulars involved in the arrangements of a single Slave-dealer, would show the abolition of Slavery in the ten miles square, to be 'a cause worth dying for;' but while our whole country, by deliberately sanctioning such atrocities, stands before God and the world, as the strong hold of Slavery, while the institutions of the free are daily breaking down under the operation of the Slave system; while in the best regulated parts of our country, the lives of the free are endangered by an avowal of the principles of the Declaration of Independence; and freedom itself embittered because honorable and dignifying industry is stigmatized as slavish—while these things are, we must devote ourselves to avert the fearful crisis to which these things are leading. Weak and wicked is the idea, that union in oppression is possible. Every nation that attempts it, 'God beholds, and drives asunder;' and has done from the foundation of the world.

Christian friends, again we conjure you, by all that woman holds dear and holy, to labor as woman has never yet done, in view of the unutterable destruction which waits visibly round about, to make our land a perpetual desolation, unless the people repent.

Leave no energy unemployed, no righteous means untried. Grudge no expense—yield to no opposition—forget fatigue—till, by the strength of prayer and sacrifice, the spirit of love shall have overcome sectional jealousy, political rivalry, prejudice against color, cowardly concession of principle, wicked compromise with sin, devotion to gain, and spiritual despotism, which now bear with a mountain's weight upon the Slave. Let but each woman in the land do a Christian woman's duty, and the result cannot fail to be his instant, peaceful, unconditional deliverance. Thus, and thus only can we hope to deliver our own souls. Only in thus doing, can we hope to hear the voice of Jesus, saying unto us, 'Come, ye blessed of my Father!—Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me!'

By Order of the Boston, Female Anti-Slavery Society,

M. W. CHAPMAN, Corresponding Secretaries.

July 13, 1836.

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Address of the Boston Female
Anti-Slavery Society

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# To the Honorable the House of Representatives of the United States. The undersigned Commonwealth of Massachusetts, have learned with astonishment and alarm, that your honorable body did, on the 21st of December last, adopt a resolution in the words following, to wit: Resolved, That all memorials, petitions, and papers, touching the abolition of slavery, or the buying, selling, or transfer of slaves in any State, territory, or district of the United States, shall be laid on the table, without rending, or reference, or printing, and that no further action whatever shall be had thereon. Leving debated printed read referred that no further action whatever shall be had the had the rest of the Constitution of the United States—of the right of the people of the United States to petition—and of the right of their Representatives to freedom of speech as members of your honorable body: They further regard it as an assumption of authority at once dangerous and distribution to further regard it as an assumption of authority, at once dangerous and destructive to the fundamental principles of republican government, to the rights of minorities, to the sover-eignty of the People, and TO THE UNION OF THESE UNITED STATES: They therefore present this their solemn and earnest remonstrance against said resolution, and respectfully ask your honorable body to IMMEDIATELY RESCIND IT. Jarah Mo Frimbe Angelina & Franke Eliza Philbrick Fanny Bell Sanah belfe Hepzibah Celfe Chlore H. Whitney Rabecca Genry Rebien S. Gerrey Rosyla Saguith Ann A Ogener Migail Tolonon Mary J. R. Tolman Elizabeth Whyte



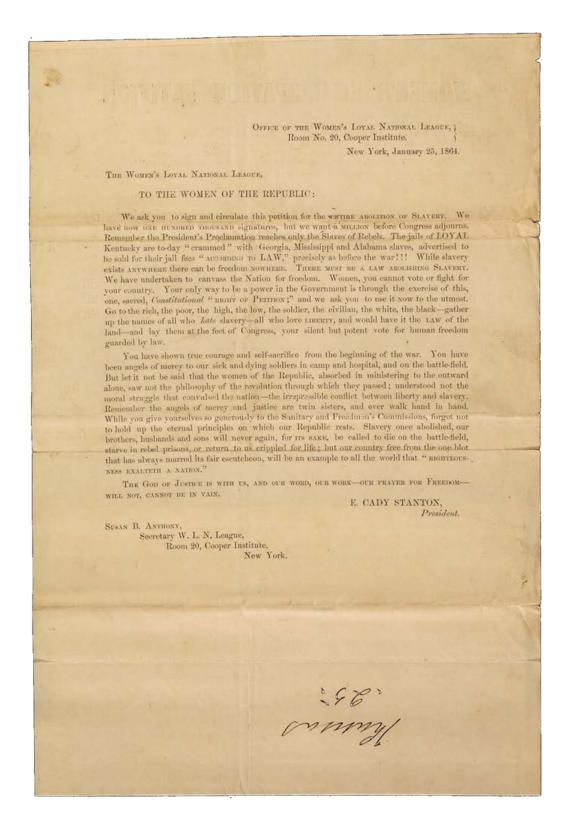
Petition from women of Brookline,
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FOR

# UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE.

### To the Senate and House of Representatives:

The undersigned, Women of the United States, respectfully ask an amendment of the Constitution that shall prohibit the several States from disfranchising any of their citizens on the ground of sex.

In making our demand for Suffrage, we would call your attention to the fact that we represent fifteen million people—one half the entire population of the country—intelligent, virtuous, native-born American citizens; and yet stand outside the pale of political recognition.

stand outside the pale of political recognition.

The Constitution classes us as "free people," and counts us whole persons in the basis of representation; and yet are we governed without our consent, compelled to pay taxes without appeal, and punished for violations of law without choice of judge or juror.

The experience of all ages, the Declarations of the Fathers, the Statute Laws of our own day, and the fearful revolution through which we have just passed, all prove the uncertain tenure of life, liberty and property so long as the ballot—the only weapon of self-protection—is not in the hand of every citizen.

Therefore, as you are now amending the Constitution, and, in harmony with advancing civilization, placing new safeguards round the individual rights of four millions of emancipated slaves, we ask that you extend the right of Suffrage to Woman—the only remaining class of disfranchised citizens—and thus fulfil your Constitutional obligation "to Guarantees to every State in the Union a Republican form of Government."

As all partial application of Republican principles must ever breed a complicated legislation as well as a discontented people, we would pray your Honorable Body, in order to simplify the machinery of government and ensure domestic tranquillity, that you legislate hereafter for persons, citizens, tax-payers, and not for class or caste.

For justice and equality your petitioners will ever pray.

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Mrs. Palontona and 13 year old daughter, working on pillow-lace in dirty kitchen of their tenement home.

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### Iowa Federation of Women's Clubs

PRESIDENT MRS. JOHN A. NASH, AUDUBON

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MRS CLARK HALLAM, SIOUX CITY CHILD STUDY OUTLINES

MRS CHARLES G. WALNER, ATLANTIC RECIPROCITY PAPERS

MISS MARGARET WRIGHT BROWN, DESMOINES REFERENCE BOOKS

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TO THE HONORABLE W. B. Allison, and Jonathan P. Dolliver, United States Senators.

Sirs:-

The undersigned, residents and citizens of Iowa, hereby call your attention to Senator Beveridge's bill now pending in the United States Seante, for the abclishment of child labor by Congressional enactment and assuming the Constitutionality thereof, most respectfully request that you lend your support thereto and give it such aid and encouragement as you may to the end that this species of slavery may be abclished and future generations made stronger for the battles of life. Our own state has recently enacted a law upon this subject which is yet somewhat crude; but the subject is so braad and embracing that Congressional action seems to be necessary. We therefore most respectfully ask your co-operation with Senator Beveridge and that you use all honorable means to secure the enactment of his Bill.

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Petition from the Iowa Federation of Women's Clubs in Favor of Child Labor Reform docsteach.org/documents/5682559/detail



MRS. LOIS L. PELKIR. - GRAND RAPIDS

RECORDING SECRETARY
MRS. SARAH MARSHALL WEAVER. CHARLOTTE



Michigan State Federation of Momen's Clubs

MRS. AUGUSTA D. BARNES,

MRS. ADELL HALBERT MCMANYES, HANCOCK

GENERAL PEDERATION SECRETARY

DEAR MADAM PRESIDENT:-

The industrial situation before us today demanding the most earnest attention of club women is that of Child Labor. There is a pronounced increase of Child Labor, not alone in the cotton industries of the South, but in the textile mills of the northern and middle states; and where legislation has been enacted to correct and nullify this evil, enforcement has been found most defective. There is need of a vigorous and imperative public sentiment in favor of the enforcement of the laws, for without the pressure of public sentiment, the best laws remain dead letters."

It is authoritatively stated that this piteous army of child laborers is steadily increasing and now numbers 2,000,000. The children are hurried from the cradle into the factories, with no childhood, no sweet memories of playtime or of home, nothing for them but toil from morning until night, and only fifteen minutes in which to eat a cold lunch; their frail bodies are often twisted and misshapen, the intellect obscured, the will paralyzed. These little white slaves of the 20th century are mostly American children. In this free land they are toiling under the glorious flag of liberty to satisfy the greed of commercialism.

Your committee, therefore, recommends the study of Child Labor, as a means to an end, in the abolishment of this national evil; that standing committees be appointed; that one or more programs on the study of Child Labor be presented, and that local conditions be investigated and reported to the Chairman of this committee.

A census taker informed the Chairman of your committee that two of the large factories in the state refused admission to him on the ground that only children were employed not eligible to the census, that he observed these children going and coming and thought some of them were under twelve.

It is not the purpose of the committee to interfere in any way with the work of inspectors or public

officials, but to co-operate with them in a matter so near to our hearts.

The National Child Labor Committee will furnish material, at net cost, to clubs writing S. M. Lindsey, 105 E. 22nd St., New York City.

One of our state factory inspectors requests the co-operation of women in securing the appointment of one notary public in every town or city where Child Labor is employed; many notaries are not familiar

with the law and really don't care whether the child be fourteen or whether they can read or not.

There is no law in Michigan for the protection of the newsboy. After four o'clock children may sell papers until late at night. Myron E. Adams writes that with the demand for more effective restriction sell papers until late at right. Myron E. Adams writes that with the demand for more elective restriction of Child Labor and with compulsory education laws, the fact has become obvious that the laborer on the street is one of the chief offenders against these laws. Investigations conducted by persons familiar with the problems have disclosed the fact that while street trading offers temptations to which the newsboy is particularly susceptible, there has been little or no attempt to regulate and improve existing conditions. These dangers are not limited to our great cities, but are equally true of cities and towns throughout the country. Committees desiring a bibliography of Child Labor will please address

JULIET S. GOODENOW, Chairman Industrial Committee, Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs,

CARRIE A. BARRE, Hillsdale, CLARA VAN FOSSEN, Ypsilanti, ANNA S. JENNE, Eaton Rapids, MRS. JAMES P. LANGLEY, Detroit, Other members of committee.

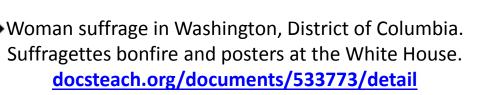


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Mrs. Mina C. van Winkle of Newark,
New Jersey, in uniform of Food Administration.
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Girls operate stock boards at Waldorf-Astoria docsteach.org/documents/533759/detail



AMELIA EARHART

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2 West 45th Street, New York City.

November 10, 1936.

Dear Mr. President:

Some time ago I told you and Mrs. Roosevelt a little about my confidential plans for a world flight. As perhaps you know, through the cooperation of Purdue University I now have a magnificient twin-motor, all-metal plane, especially equipped for long distance flying.

For some months we have been preparing for a flight which I hope to attempt probably in March. The route, compared with previous flights, will be unique. It is east to west, and approximates the equator. Roughly it is from San Francisco to Honolulu; from Honolulu to Tokio -- or Honolulu to Brisbane; the regular Australia-England route as far west as Karachi; from Karachi to Aden; Aden via Kartoon across Central Africa to Dakar; Dakar to Natal, and thence to New York on the regular Pan American route.

Special survey work and map preparation is already under way on the less familiar portion of the route as, for instance, that in Africa.

The chief problem is the jump westward from Honolulu. The distance thence to Tokio is 3900 miles. I want to reduce as much as possible the hazard of the take-off at Honolulu with the excessive over-load. With that in view, I am discussing with the Navy a possible refueling in the air over Midway Island. If this can be arranged, I need to take much less gas from Honolulu, and with the Midway refueling will have ample



Letter from Amelia Earhart to President Roosevelt Regarding her World Flight docsteach.org/documents/6705943/detail













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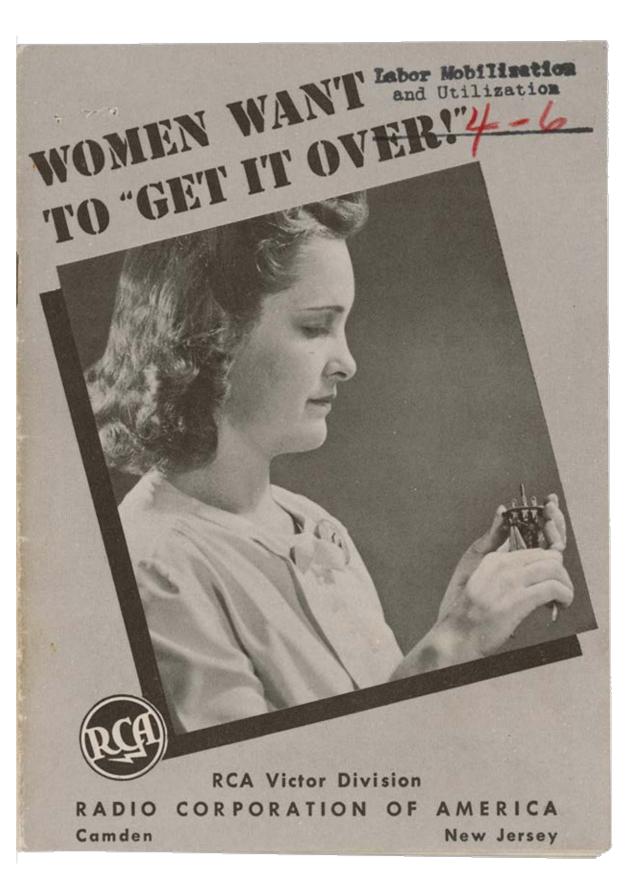






Welders Alivia Scott, Hattie Carpenter,
and Flossie Burtos await an opportunity to weld their
first piece of steel on the ship
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Women Want to "Get It Over" docsteach.org/documents/641396/detail







Women There's Work to be Done and a War to be Won Now!

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## POLICE DEPARTMENT CITY OF MONTGOMERY Date 12-1-55 19 Complainant J.F. Blake (wm) Address 27 No. www. St. Offense Misc. Reported By Same as above Address Date and Time Offense Committed 12-1-55 6:06 pm Place of Occurrence In Front of Empire Theatre (On Montgomery Street) Person or Property Attacked How Attacked Person Wanted Value of Property Stolen Value Recovered Details of Complaint (list, describe and give value of property stolen) We received a call upon arrival the bus operator said he had a colored female sitting in the white section of the bus, and would not move back. We (Day & Mixon) also saw her. The bus operator signed a warrant for her. Rosa Parks, (cf) 634 Cleveland Court. Rosa Parks (cf) was charged with chapter 6 section 11 of the Montgomery City Code. Warrant #14254

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Division Patrol

Division Patrol Time 7:00 pm

Police Report on Arrest of Rosa Parks docsteach.org/documents/596074/detail



the appropriate time, I recognize the gentlelady from Texas, Ms. Jordan, for the purpose of general debate, not to exceed a period of 15 minutes. Ms. Jordan. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Take 6 Mr. Chairman, I join my colleague, Mr. Rangel, in thanking 7 you for giving the junior members of this Committee the glorious 8 opportunity of sharing the pain of this inquiry. Mr. Chairman, 9 you are a strong man and it has not been easy but we have 10 tried as best we can to give you as much assistance as possible 11 Earlier today we heard the beginning of the Preamble to the Constitution of the United States, We, the people. It is 12 13 a very eloquent beginning. But when that document was completed on the 17th of September in 1787 I was not included in 14 15 that "We, the people." I felt somehow for many years that George Washington and Alexander Hamilton just left me out by 16 17 mistake. But through the process of amendment, interpretation and court decision I have finally been included in "We, the 18 19 people. hyperlade Today I am an inquisitor and I believe it would not be 20 fictional and would not overstate the solemnness that I feel 21 right now. My faith in the Constitution is whole, it is 22 complete, it is total, and I am not going to sit here and be 23 an idle spectator to the diminution, the subversion, the destruc-24 tion of the Constitution. 25





## WOMEN HY NOT?

Canada has one of the finest educational systems in the world. But many Canadian employers unjustifiably underpay some very well-educated graduates of that system. Women.

A 24-year-old male, leaving university with a degree, earns on the average 19 per cent more in his first job than a woman of the same age with the same degree. A male high-school graduate can expect an average 34.2 per cent more than the equivalent female graduate. It just isn't right.

It just isn't right, either, that long before graduation, some schools still insist on channelling girls into home economics classes and boys into industrial arts.

Some girls make excellent mechanics and engineers. Some boys make excel-lent designers and chefs. Why curb their natural talents?

There is no logical reason why we should. Equal educational opportunities are guaranteed us under law, but there are prejudices and precedents. Society expects women to cook and sew because it expects the to get married one day. Don't men get married too? Maybe they should learn household skills

as well.

When it comes to employment, the same kind of archaic thinking brings us less pay and recognition. Certainly women get married, but many keep on working. Of some three million women working in Canada today, more than 50 per cent are married. Why are they being paid less than



We have to teach our children to think differently. Because they are the next generation of educators and homemakers, employers and employees. We must break down the barriers of

We must break down the barriers of prejudice for ourselves and remove them entirely for our children.

If you would like more Information on International Women's Year and the status of women in Canada, all you have to do is write us or fill in and mail the coupon below.

If you'd like a "WHY NOT" button, and a set of posters, just check the apparent of the present of the presen

and a set of posters, just check the ap propriate squares. We're here to help.

their husbands? Because they are married? How their husbands? Because they are married? How about a single working woman? It costs her as much to live as a single working man. So why is she also being forced to live on less? Particularly when 50.0 per cent of all Canadian women in the labour force, having completed their high-school education, have gone on to take post-secondary training, compared to 39.5 per cent of the men. So no one can use the excuse that working women are less qualified.

The entire situation must change. But if it is to change, we have to start thinking of ourselves

to change, we have to start thinking of ourselves as equals. And demanding that others do, too.

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Women Graduates Don't Earn as Much as Men Graduates docsteach.org/documents/7452604/detail





To the Senate of the United States.

Inominate Sandra Day O'Connor, of Arizona, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, vice Potter Stewart, retired.

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Nomination of Sandra Day O'Connor as Supreme Court Justice docsteach.org/documents/595429/detail







What Some of the Most Successful Women are Wearing This Year docsteach.org/documents/593691/detail



# Introducing www.DocsTeach.org, a New Online Tool for Teaching with Documents

Lee Ann Potter and Stephanie Greenhut

hose of us who teach social studies know that the United States Constitution is exciting! The big ideas it contains leave us awe-struck. Its brevity inspires us. The stories of its conception in Philadelphia during the summer of 1787 and its subsequent ratification are thrilling. Its longevity is nothing less than miraculous. (And, truth be told, we tend to feel this way about most of our course content!)

Our students, however, tend to be inspired, awe-struck, thrilled, and sense miracles through technology, websites, and new electronic gadgets. That's where *DocsTeach.org* comes in. The new online tool from the National Archives combines primary-source content with the latest interactive capabilities of the Internet.



To regular readers of "Teaching with Documents," the spirit of the site will be familiar. Yes, you have seen some of the more than 2,500 featured documents before. And yes, some of the activities on the site are online versions of some of the most engaging classroom activities we have suggested over the years. For example, in the May/June 2009 issue of *Social Education*, we suggested sharing George Washington's August 1787 draft

copy of the Constitution with students as a way to generate a discussion about the evolution of "We the People." On *DocsTeach. org*, we've created a similar activity with that very title and the same document. And in the September 2007 issue of *Social Education*, we described the "Constitution in Action" learning lab program available to student groups visiting the National Archives building in Washington, D.C., promising that someday we would make an online version available. We are pleased to announce that "someday" has arrived. On *DocsTeach.org*, this activity is called "The Constitution at Work," and it uses a tool called "Seeing the Big Picture."



The Constitution at Work http://docsteach.org/activities/16)

But there is much more that you have never seen before. And perhaps the most exciting part of the site is also what makes our students so interested in new technologies—namely, the interactive feature that allows you to direct what the site becomes.

On the site, you can

#### 1. Browse or search for activities

- by era;
- based on the historical thinking skills you want to teach;
- according to an interactive *DocsTeach.org* activity-creation tool:
- by keyword;
- · or even by activity author—you can find activities created by the National Archives education team or by fellow educators around the country who are registered on DocsTeach.org.



- 2. Use the information that accompanies each activity to determine if it is a fit for your classroom, and whether it will help you meet your curricular objectives. The information includes
- an indication of the historical thinking skill students will practice;
- a representation of the level of critical thinking required, illustrated by an icon reflecting Bloom's Taxonomy;
- · the historical era in which the activity fits:
- an activity synopsis; and
- instructions



#### **Creating Interactive** Learning Activities with One of Seven Tools on DocsTeach.org

Finding a Sequence—Present primary sources and challenge students to sequence them based on document analysis.

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Mapping History—Link primary sources to locations on a map to practice spatial thinking and understand the impact of geographic factors in history.

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**More Tools to Come!** 

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- · select "Use to Create an Activity" to make a new activity based on the current one;
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other teachers.

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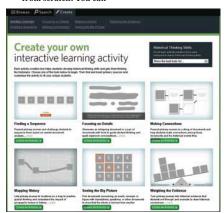
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direct students to complete activities you've created for them, and instruct them to e-mail you the results and responses to the questions you posed in your activity's conclusion.



4. Create a brand new activity with its own web address from scratch. You can



- select the "Create" option in the "Activities" section,
- · choose from among seven tools—each designed to teach one or more historical thinking skills-to frame the activity (see page 169). Next,
- · find information about how to meet Learning Objectives and Historical Thinking Skills, plus other Teaching Tips, and finally,
- · select primary sources, set up the activity according to





Possibilities with the site are virtually limitless-but don't take our word for it, try it yourself!

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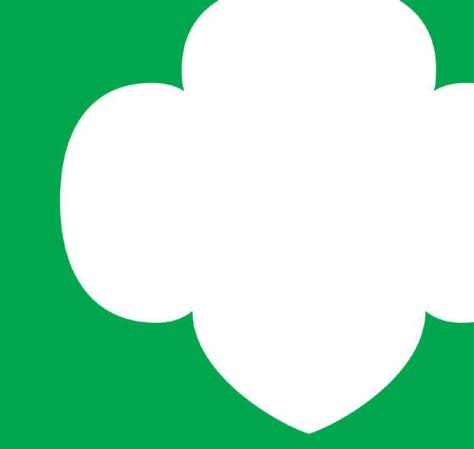




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## Through Girl Scouting

Food Fights for Freedom:

**Victory Gardens** 



15,000 Girl Scout Victory Gardens Tended at home and in camps in 1943



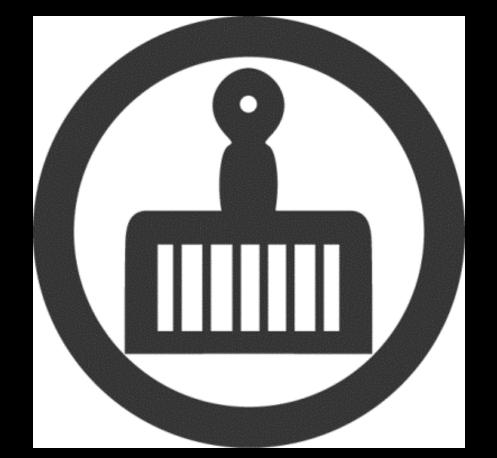
## VICTORY GARDENS

How Brownie Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Senior Girl Scouts Can Help to Insure Home Food Supplies



































https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U4H2x1fUj0s&list=PL0C94154AC4780E54&index=36





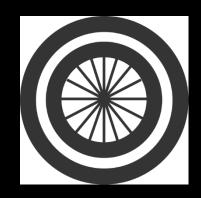




## Girl Scout Proficiency Badges



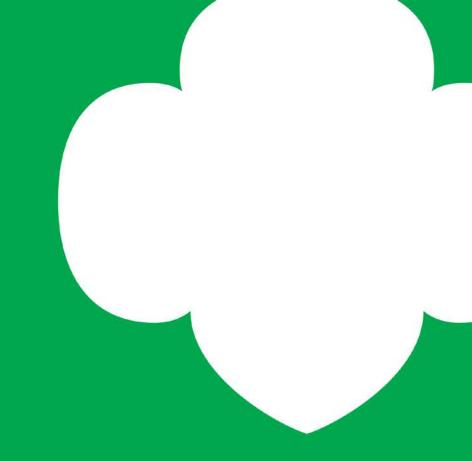












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## Women in the Industrial Workforce

## Brooklyn Navy Yard Development Corporation Archives

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## *The Shipworker* (1941-1966)

September 15, 1942

THE NAVY YARD SHIPWORKER

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#### Signs of the Times-Girls Meet Machines



 Taking their bearings outside the Navy Yard are these four girls, typical among the first group of women mechanic learners ever to report here for work From left to right—Mrs. Levine, Miss Richter, Miss Hongiman, and Mrs. Tyrrell.

This, in pictures, is the story of four young women whose arrival at New York Navy Yard recently marked a revolution in their daily routine.

For America, too, their presence here symbolizes profound change. These women are mechanic learners, members of the first group to arrive at the yard. They represent a new role for women in war.

Their names are Mrs. Sidonia Levine, 23 years old, of Brooklyn; Miss Evelyn Richter, 20, of the Bronx; Miss Sylvia Honigman, 21, of the Bronx; and Mrs. Audrey Tyrrell, 24, of Middle Village, Queens. The first two are college graduates, but none has had mechanical experience.

(All Photos Official U. S. Navy)



4. Weighing in. Mrs. Tyrrell undergoes one part of the thorough physical examination to which all future employees are subjected. All members of our lucky quartet have passed with flying colors all phases of their examination.



 Paper work comes first. The quartet, chosen at random from the initial group of women mechanics, is told by Frank Spadofora, rating board examiner, how to fill out forms.



Streamlined "mugging". The girls line up for the customary unflattering identification photos to be used on their yard passes. Note data recorded with photo.



3. Fingerprinting. A smudge on the fingers is no worry to four young women destined to do mechanical work in one of Uncle Sam's Navy Yards. Irving Himmel presides in making impressions of every finger of each of the girls.



6. Real mechanic learners at last. Going on the job too quickly to obtain working togs, the girls received instruction from Thomas Broadbent on the fine art of shipfitting. Weeks from now, they'll be on the job.

## Women at Work



Naomi Coffil. In addition to performing her duties as Tele-Type Operator in the Data Processing Branch, Mrs. Coffil is the mother of two children. For leisure, when there is some, she loves to play bridge, entertain friends and go dancing.



NEARLY A YEAR has passed since Mrs. Fanny Robinson of the Outplacement Section, IRO, came to work in the Shipyard from a job in private industry. Believe it or not, this youthful-looking lady has four children, two girls and two boys, ranging in age from 17 to 22. The oldest, a boy, was married recently, and the youngest, a girl, is finishing high school. Both Fanny and her husband are born and bred Brooklynites and proud of it. Music is her leisure-time passion, whether it's in the form of listening to jazz records, playing the piano, or dancing the watusi. She hopes to stay in Govenrment service, unless she gets her real estate broker's license.



SUMMER IS A-COMING IN. lovely Shirley Marsland of Las Vegas reminds us, for if May comes can June be far behind? And with June comes - well, you know what. So what are you doing to equip yourself for a new job after June 30th? One of the best things you can do is look into the possibilities of taking a Retraining Course to learn a new trade. Investigate - then invest a few months in a classroom to reap the dividends of a new career. Consult the Retraining experts in Building 14 next Thursday.

## Changes in Social Norms: A New Dress Code



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THE NAVY YARD SHIPWORKER

### AS WOMEN VIEW TOGS



Official U. S. Navy

With nearly 200 women mechanics at work in the Shipfitters' Shop, the Industrial Department has taken steps to assure that the clothes they wear will be both safe and comfortable. Here, women mechanic learners look over a possible work outfit displayed for their comment. Banned are pockets on side of trousers, floppy trouser legs, open or high-heeled shoes, unnecessarily wide sleeves.

## **Technical Education Opportunities**

## Engineering, Science and Management Mar Training Manhattan College NEW YORK CITY

Date issued July 16th, 1943.

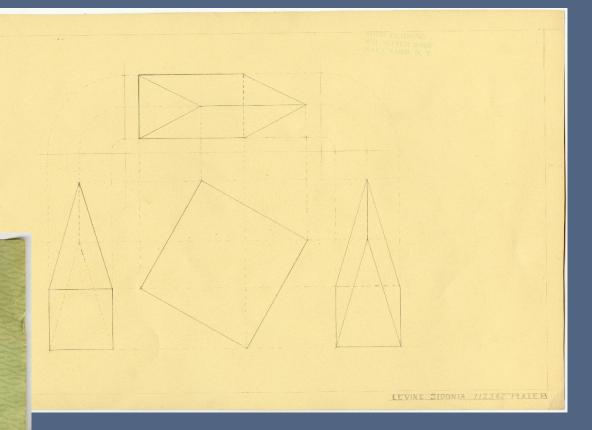
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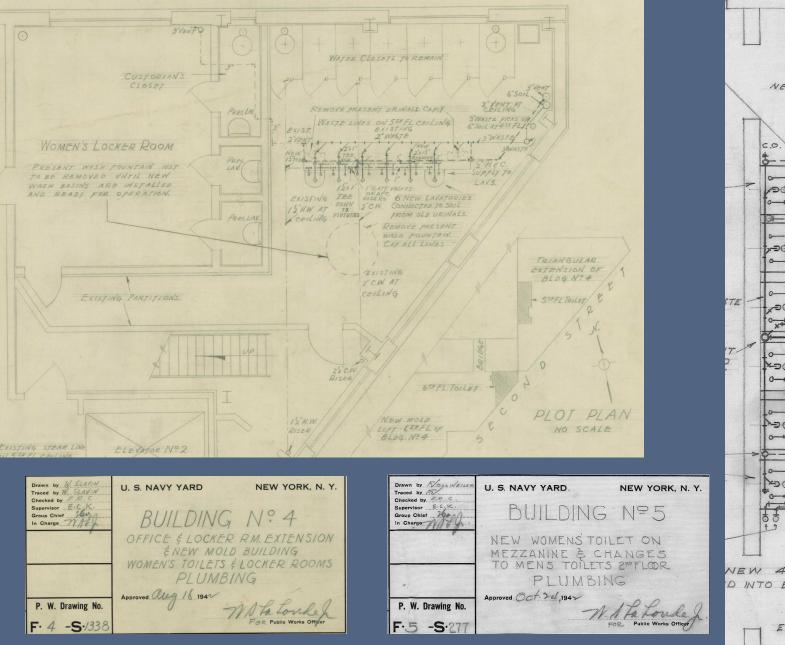
completed a War Training Course entitled SHIP DRAFTING

as conducted by this College under the sponsorship of the United States Office of Education.

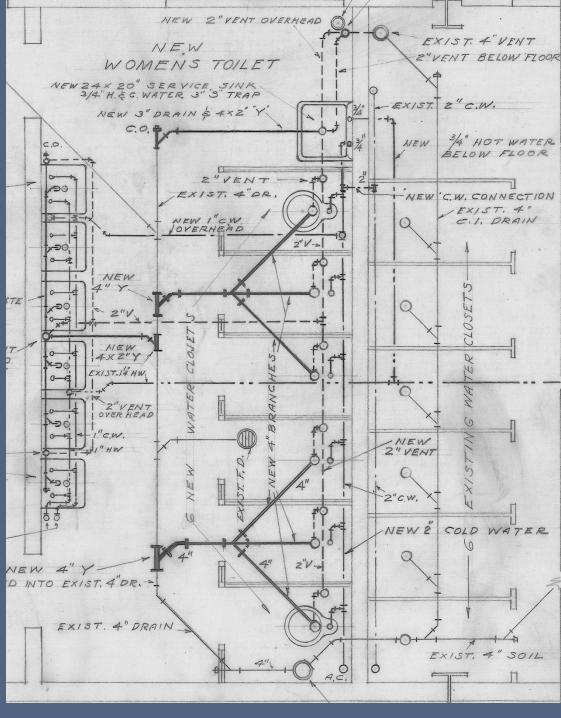
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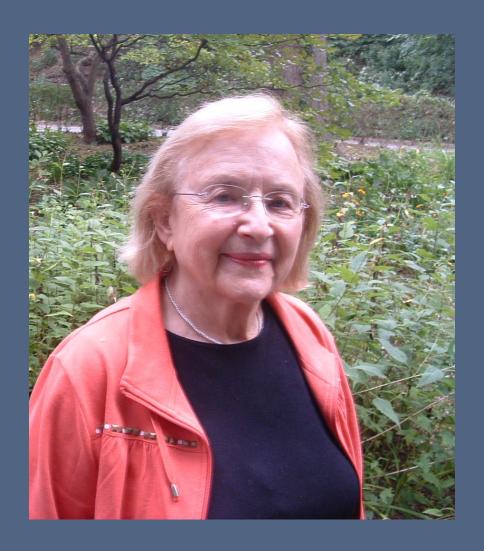




The Need for New Facilities



## In Their Own Words: Mimi Leipzig Oral History







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School Groups: http://bldg92.org/education/

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## Approximate Cost of Trip to British Guiana Bases on 4 months time for 1 person.

Moves Stills amount same

Camera films purchase and development

\$ 700.00

Cameras - Zeiss Ikon and Leica-must borrow .

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Inland travel in British Guiana includes \$500.

lorry and porters and boats etc. and food \$2315.00

Equipment tents, rubber boat, snake serum, \$ 500.00 barter for indians, batteries, bird feeders, bird and animal boxes. Ammunition \$2815.00

Flying for photographing @ 60. per hour. ? or to get there in less time (4 hours)

Total \$3000.00

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