

Websites for All Subjects, for U.S. History and Social Studies in General, and for the Study of Immigration¹

For all subject areas and levels

Scholastic.com: This website from Scholastic, which is modified daily, provides entree for all subject areas and grade levels, providing resources teachers will find to be of value when planning lessons and units: <http://www2.scholastic.com/browse/home.jsp>

U.S. History and Social Studies in General

American Memory Timeline: The Library of Congress developed this resource to help teachers and students use the vast online collections of the Library of Congress. The links, arranged by chronological periods, lead users to sets of selected primary sources on a variety of topics in United States History: <http://memory.loc.gov/learn/features/timeline/>

History of US: This website from PBS was designed to accompany its television series based on Joy Hakim's series of history textbooks entitled The History of US. It is a gold mine for teachers of all eras of U.S. history: <http://www.pbs.org/wnet/historyofus/>.

NPR Podcast Directory: NPR has a podcast directory, where links to many of its podcasts are given, many of its podcasts will deal with public policy issues: http://www.npr.org/rss/podcast/podcast_directory.php.

Primary Source Treasures from the Library of Congress: This website focuses on those items that the Library of Congress considers to be its "treasures": <http://www.loc.gov/exhibits/treasures/>

Immigration Websites

Immigration: Stories of Yesterday and Today: This website from Scholastic provides stories for elementary students about specific immigrants of past and present: <http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/immigration/index.htm>

Immigration in America (NPR): This website from NPR has much information in text and in podcasts based on a survey by NPR, the Kaiser Family Foundation and Harvard's Kennedy School of Government of more than 1,100 native-born Americans and nearly 800 immigrants on their attitudes toward immigrants and immigration: <http://www.npr.org/news/specials/polls/2004/immigration/>.

Immigration Images (Library of Congress): These images from the Library of Congress show scenes from Ellis Island between the years 1880-1920 and from the Statue of Liberty respectively: http://www.loc.gov/rr/print/list/070_immi.html; http://www.loc.gov/rr/print/list/077_stat.html,

Immigration in America (ThinkQuest): These ThinkQuest websites focuses on the Statue of Liberty, comic, and many other aspects related to the history of immigration: <http://library.thinkquest.org/20619/Sthist.html> and <http://library.thinkquest.org/20619/Comics.html>.

Immigration History of Different Groups (Library of Congress): This website from the Library of Congress has been developed for teachers to help them with many aspects of immigration history: <http://frontiers.loc.gov/learn/features/immig/introduction.html>

¹ Most of these websites were found in footnotes of this article: Elizabeth Henry, "Fourth Grade Historians: A Thematic Approach to Immigration," *Social Studies and the Young Learner*, January/February 2008, 3-7.