

HOMWORK HELP FOR TEENS with New Orleans Public Library

U.S. HISTORY RESOURCES



Online Library Resources

To access the Library's research tools, visit nolalibrary.org. Click "Research" tab in the navigation bar, and then select "Databases." This link will direct you to the [Louisiana Library Connection](#), a webpage that includes links to all of the New Orleans Public Library's databases, as well as statewide databases. Scroll through the Louisiana Library Connection website to find each of the databases listed below. You will need your Library card to access these databases. If you do not know your Library card number, please call any Library location for assistance.

- **Britannica e-Books:** Hundreds of nonfiction downloadable e-books for ages preschool to 18.
- **History Reference Center:** Full text from more than 1,620 reference books, encyclopedias and nonfiction books, cover to cover full text for more than 150 leading history periodicals, nearly 57,000 historical documents.
- **Learning Express Library:** A comprehensive interactive learning platform of tests, courses, and career preparation for students and adults. Student resources include AP® U.S. Government and Politics Exam and AP® U.S. History Exam preparation.
- **Louisiana Digital Library:** An online library of over 144,000 digital materials about Louisiana's history, culture, places, and people.
- **NewsBank:** Historic archive of the *Times-Picayune* (1837-1988), *New Orleans Item* (1877-1958), *New Orleans States* (1916-1957) and *States-Item* (1960-1979). Additional content from the *Times Picayune* (1988-present), *The Advocate* (2012-present) and other papers.
- **Newspapers.com Library Edition:** 4,000+ historical newspapers from the early 1700s into the early 2000s; well-known regional and local newspapers in the U.S. and other countries, including several Louisiana newspapers.

- **TeenBookCloud:** Digital content for grades 6–12, featuring more than 1000 titles, including student-favorite Graphic Novels, enhanced e-books with full audio narration and highlighted text, classic literature, *National Geographic* videos, and more.

Books



U.S. History:

- *A Queer History of the United States for Young People* by Richie Chevat
- *Lies My Teacher Told Me: Everything American History Textbooks Get Wrong* by James W. Loewen
- *An Indigenous Peoples' History of the United States for Young People* by Jean Mendoza
- *Rad American History A-Z* by Kate Schatz

Pre- Colonial America:

- *Turtle Island: The Story of North America's First People* by Eldon Yellowhorn

Colonial America:

- *Women of Colonial America: 13 Stories of Courage and Survival in the New World* by Brandon Marie Miller

American Revolution:

- *Women Heroes of the American Revolution: 20 Stories of Espionage, Sabotage, Defiance, and Rescue* by Susan Casey
- *Alexander Hamilton: The First Secretary of the Treasury and an Author of the Federalist Papers* by Tatiana Ryckman

This guide is not a comprehensive list of the Library's resources. For assistance finding specific materials, please contact your Library location or visit homework.nolalibrary.org.

Civil War:

- *Now or Never!: 54th Massachusetts Infantry's War to End Slavery* by Ray Anthony Shepard

Reconstruction through World War I:

- *We Are Not Yet Equal: Understanding our Racial Divide* by Carol Anderson
- *Dark Sky Rising: Reconstruction and the Dawn of Jim Crow* by Henry Louis Gates
- *Stolen Justice: The Struggle for African American Voting Rights* by Lawrence Goldstone

World War I:

- *World War I* by Tom Firme
- *Very, Very, Very Dreadful: The Influenza Pandemic of 1918* by Albert Marrin
- *Come On In, America: The United States and World War I* by Linda Barrett Osborne

Interwar Period:

- *The Great Migration and the Harlem Renaissance* by Sabina G Arora
- *Crash: The Great Depression and the Fall and Rise of America* by Marc Favreau
- *The Life of Bessie Coleman: First Black Woman Pilot* by Connie Plantz
- *1919 The Year that Changed America* by Martin W. Sandler

World War II:

- *KIYO SATO: From a WWII Japanese Internment Camp to a Life of Service* by Connie Goldsmith
- *Sioux Code Talkers of World War II* by Andrea M. Page
- *The Port Chicago 50: Disaster, Mutiny, and the Fight for Civil Rights* by Steve Sheinkin
- *They Called Us Enemy* by George Takei

Civil Rights:

- *The March Against Fear: The Last Great Walk of the Civil Rights Movement and the Emergence of Black Power* by Ann Bausam
- *March Books 1-3* by John Lewis
- *Malcolm X: By Any Means Necessary: A Biography* by Walter Dean Myers

Cold War:

- *Blacklisted!: Hollywood, the Cold War, and the First Amendment* by Larry Brimner
- *Spies: The Secret Showdown Between America and Russia* by Marc Favreau

Vietnam War:

- *Boots on the Ground: America's War in Vietnam* by Elizabeth Partridge
- *Captured: An American Prisoner of War in North Vietnam* by Alvin Townley

Recent History:

- *Viral: The Fight Against AIDS in America* by Ann Bausam

Resources for Teachers

- **PBS Learning Media:** LPB and PBS have curated free, standards-aligned videos, interactives, lesson plans, and more for teachers like you. PBS Learning Media provides videos and lesson plans for different age groups looking at civics and government, economics, geography, U.S. history, elementary social studies, and world history.
- **TeachingHistory.org:** Teachinghistory.org is designed to help K–12 history teachers access resources and materials to improve U.S. history education in the classroom. With funding from the U.S. Department of Education, the Center for History and New Media (CHNM) has created teachinghistory.org with the goal of making history content, teaching strategies, resources, and research accessible.
- **Zinn Education Project:** The Zinn Education Project promotes and supports the teaching of people's history in classrooms across the country. *Registration is required to download lesson plans.*