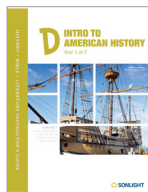


# D Intro to the American History,

## Year 1 or 2

Grade: 4-7 | Ages: 9-12

### Instructor's Guide



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Choose 4- or 5-Day

Includes the following resources for teaching all Sonlight D subjects: full Schedule; Teaching Helps; Geography and Timeline Activities; Study Guides for History, Readers and Read-Alouds (including Discussion Questions and Vocabulary Development); full Answers and definitions. 3-hole punched and shrink wrapped.

### Bible

#### American Indian Prayer Guide

☐ Maloof & Cozzens. 36 weeks' worth of daily prayer for the indigenous peoples of North, South, and Central America. Eye-opening historical and contemporary stories lead directly to prayer. Pb, illus. RA: K-A; R: 3-A

#### Sing the Word: Great in Counsel and Mighty in Deed

☐ The Harrow Family. Various musical styles, beautifully arranged for children's voices using orchestral and ethnic instruments. Includes all the Scripture verses in this year's Bible program. Audio CD and digital version included in HBL or ASP package.

### History

#### American History: A Visual Encyclopedia

☐ Smithsonian. A groundbreaking guide to American history, this reference book explains events, moments, trends, patterns, and people in concise articles designed to appeal to children ages 8 and up. Features more than 750 photos and artworks, plus extensive maps, charts, a state-by-state review, the complete texts of the Declaration of Independence and U.S. Constitution, and much more. Hb. RA: 2-A; R: 4-A

#### The Beginner's American History

☐ Montgomery. Subtitled "From Christopher Columbus to John Sutter," this book highlights stories of significant explorers, influential colonists, war heroes, leaders of frontier settlements, inventions. Includes a list of comprehension questions. Illustrated. Pb. RA: 2-A; R: 3-A

#### The Bill of Rights: Why it Matters to You **NEW!**

☐ *A True Book: Why it Matters* series introduces young readers to the branches of the US government, the constitution, and more while engaging them to become productive citizens.

#### The Constitution of the United States

☐ Taylor-Butler. Learn how The Constitution came to be and how important it still is today. A True Book: American History series allows readers to experience the earliest moments in American history and to discover how these moments helped shape the country that it is today. . Pb

#### The Lewis & Clark Expedition

☐ Neuberger. A highly readable account of the quintessentially American adventure of discovery and hardship as Meriwether Lewis and William Clark led their men on an exploration of "the interior parts of North America." Pb, illus. RA: 2-A; R: 4-A

#### The Landmark History of the American People: From Plymouth to the West, Volume 1

☐ Boorstin. A fascinating introduction to American culture as it has shaped and been shaped by events from the Pilgrims to the mid-1800s. Winsomely written by the former Librarian of Congress. Boorstin focuses on the social forces and cultural influences that have made Americans the unique people they are. Completely revised for readability, this full-color edition is profusely illustrated, and includes timelines and maps. Pb. RA: 2-A; R: 3-A

#### Timeline Figures D

☐ 44 Timeline Figures for this program on pre-gummed heavy card stock. Just cut them out, color as desired, and stick in your Timeline Book. Sonlight's Timeline Book, paired with program-specific Timeline Figures, makes creating your own timeline easy.

#### 5-Day program also includes ▼ Explore Native American Cultures!

☐ Yasuda. Explore Native American Cultures! with 25 Great Projects introduces readers to seven main Native American cultural regions, from the northeast woodlands to the Northwest tribes. Pb.

#### King George: What Was His Problem?

☐ Sheinkin. Entire books have been written about the causes of the American Revolution. This isn't one of them. Pb.

#### Pedro's Journal

☐ Conrad. An account of Christopher Columbus' first voyage of discovery to the New World, supposedly written by his young cabin boy. Delightfully realistic. Pb, illus. RA: 3-8; R: 4-8

### Read-Alouds

#### Adoniram Judson

☐ Bengé. The thrilling story of America's first foreign missionary, Adoniram Judson. In the face of incredible obstacles, Adoniram and his wife Ann were the spark that spread the fire of the Gospel into Burma. Their evident love for the Burmese people is a compelling story of unswerving dedication and sacrifice. Pb. RA: 2-A; R: 3-A

#### Carry On, Mr. Bowditch

☐ Latham. Newbery Award. Fascinating true story of the poor apprentice who, shortly after the American Revolution, transformed navigation from an art to a precise science. Bowditch wrote a book that is still a standard reference among mariners. Pb. RA: 3-A; R: 5-A

#### A Child's Introduction to Poetry

☐ Driscoll. Subtitled "Listen While You Learn About the Magic Words That Have Moved Mountains, Won

Battles, and Made Us Laugh and Cry." This collection of 64 poems for children (from Homer to Maya Angelou) first teaches about many forms of poetry—such as nursery rhyme, ballad, haiku, sonnet. Then the reader meets each poet in brief, lively mini-biographies. For days when you can't read aloud together, they can read along and listen to a professional actor read each selection on the companion CD. Fun and inviting. Illustrated. Hb. RA: 2-A; R: 3-A

#### Johnny Tremain

☐ Forbes. A young apprentice silversmith is caught up in the Boston Tea Party and the American Revolution. An exciting story, winner of the Newbery Award. Pb. RA: 3-A; R: 5-A

#### Justin Morgan Had a Horse

☐ Henry. Newbery Honor. The true story of a young boy who trained the first all-American (but now world-famous) Morgan horse. Pb, illus. RA: 2-A; R: 4-A

#### Peacemaker

☐ Bruchac. A twelve-year-old Iroquois boy searches for peace in this historical novel based on the creation of the Iroquois Confederacy. Pb.

#### The Sign of the Beaver

☐ Speare. Newbery Honor. A white boy left alone in the Maine wilderness barely manages to survive. This is the inspiring story of the boy's friendship. Pb. RA: 3-A; R: 5-A

#### The Story of the Amistad

☐ Sterne. This gripping, fast-paced book tells the dramatic story of the epic 1839 voyage of the schooner Amistad and her cargo of Africans bound for slavery in the New World. Pb.

#### Toliver's Secret

☐ Brady. Ten-year-old Ellen Toliver must conquer her timidity to take a secret message through enemy lines during the Revolutionary War. Fast-paced novel gives a good feel for the era. Illustrated. Pb. RA: 2-A; R: 4-A

#### Walk the World's Rim

☐ Baker. A 14-year-old Indian joins Cabeza de Vaca's 16th Century expedition through the Southwest. A vivid portrait of Mexican life and the harsh conditions of a primitive Indian tribe. Pb. RA: 3-A; R: 5-A

#### The Witch of Blackbird Pond

☐ Speare. Newbery Medal. A girl who was raised in luxury in the Caribbean struggles to adjust to Puritan New England. Pb. RA: 3-A; R: 5-A

#### 5-Day program also includes ▼

#### The Journeyman

☐ Yates. Touching story about a boy, despised by his father because of his artistic bent, who leaves home to find his place in the world. Pb. RA: 2-A; R: 5-A

#### Winter Danger

☐ Steele. Cajé Amos's father trained him to be independent, not to be beholden. When harsh Tennessee weather forces them to take refuge with Cajé's aunt and uncle, Cajé not only must survive bears, wolves, illness, and starvation, but he needs to learn to be part of a

family. A riveting historical novel by a Newbery Honor author. Pb. **RA:** 2-A; **R:** 3-A

## Readers

### Blood on the River

☐ Carbone. Twelve-year-old Samuel Collier is a lonely commoner on the streets of London. So when he becomes the page of Captain John Smith and boards the Susan Constant, bound for the New World, he can't believe his good fortune. Pb.

### The Cabin Faced West

☐ Fritz. Anne is lonely when her family moves to the Pennsylvania frontier...until a special evening when a stranger comes to dinner. Laura Ingalls Wilder Medalist. Pb. **RA:** 1-A; **R:** 3-6

### The Corn Grows Ripe

☐ Rhoads. Carefree Tigre must learn responsibility after his father is injured. Set in a Mayan village, this Newbery Honor book portrays a marvelous coming-of-age story in an unusual setting. Pb. Illus. **RA:** 1-A **RA:** 3-7

### Fever 1793

☐ Anderson. An epidemic of fever sweeps through the streets of 1793 Philadelphia in this novel from Laurie Halse Anderson where "the plot rages like the epidemic itself" (The New York Times Book Review). Pb.

### Jericho's Journey

☐ Wisler. Young Jericho Wetherby, longing for adventure, is delighted when his father decides to leave Tennessee for Texas. Jericho's life as a pioneer teaches him about growing up. Drawn from an actual settler's diary. Pb. **RA:** 2-8; **R:** 3-8

### Naya Nuki

☐ Thomasma. The dramatic adventure of a real-life childhood friend of Sacajawea who was kidnapped by a rival tribe. Naya Nuki escaped her captors and traveled alone in the wilderness for more than a month to return to her people. Pb, illus. **RA:** K-7; **R:** 3-7

### Om-kas-toe

☐ Thomasma. Om-kas-toe is a member of the Blackfeet Indian tribe in the early 1700s—before horses. He has the privilege of helping to bring the first elk dog (horse) into his tribe. An exciting, authentic look at life among the American Indians prior to the coming of European men. Pb, illus. **RA:** 2-7; **R:** 4-7

### Phoebe the Spy

☐ Griffin. Dramatic true story of a little black girl who foiled a plan to kill George Washington. Pb. **RA:** K-A; **R:** 3-6

### Sarah, Plain and Tall

☐ MacLachlan. Newbery Award-winning story of a frontier American widower who advertises for a wife...and gets Sarah. Poignant. Beautiful. Pb. **RA:** 1-A; **R:** 3-A

### Sarah Whitcher's Story

☐ Yates. The true story of a little girl who is lost in New Hampshire woods back in pioneer days. A father's Christian faith bolsters the spirits of searchers who want to give up. Gripping. Pb, illus. **RA:** 1-A; **R:** 3-A

### The Secret of the Sealed Room

☐ MacDonald. Young Patience Martin works as an indentured servant in 1721 Boston. When her mistress dies of a mysterious poisoning, Patience runs away and meets an inventive, adventurous young printer's apprentice named Ben Franklin. Can the new friends crack the case and save

Patience's life? This historical fiction mystery is filled with suspense, danger, and wit. A fun guess at what Benjamin Franklin was like as a boy. Hb. **RA:** K-A; **R:** 3-8

### The Skippack School

☐ De Angeli. Simple but insightful story about a German boy who immigrated to America about the year 1750. One becomes dramatically aware of some of the cultural shifts that have taken place in the last 200 years! Written by a multiple award-winning author. Pb, illus. **RA:** 1-6; **R:** 3-6

### Squanto, Friend of the Pilgrims

☐ Bulla. The story of the meeting of two cultures—and the young man who helped bridge the gap between them. Pb, illus. **RA:** 1-6; **R:** 3-6

### The Thanksgiving Story

☐ Dalglish. Caldecott Honor Book recounts the story of the Pilgrims from the time they left England on the Mayflower through the first Thanksgiving celebration. Told from the perspective of children, with careful attention to accuracy. Pb, illus. **RA:** P-6; **R:** 3-6

### Timmy O'Dowd and the Big Ditch

☐ Hilts. In the late 1800s, young Timmy O'Dowd and his city boy cousin must forget their differences and combine their efforts when the Erie Canal is damaged by storms. Pb. **RA:** K-6; **R:** 3-6

### 5-Day program also includes ▼

#### The Bears on Hemlock Mountain

☐ Dalglish. Newbery Honor. Jonathan goes to get "the biggest pot you ever laid eyes on"—on the other side of Hemlock Mountain. How he protects himself from the bears is the highlight of this short tall tale! Pb, illus. **RA:** K-A; **R:** 3-4

#### Ben Franklin of Old Philadelphia

☐ Cousins. A sympathetic, conversational account of Ben Franklin's life. Highlights his inventions, his writing and editorial work, and his statesmanship. Very pleasant! Pb, includes index. **RA:** 1-A; **R:** 3-A

#### The Courage of Sarah Noble

☐ Dalglish. Newbery Honor. Eight-year old Sarah journeys into the wilderness with her father—and ends up alone! Based on a true story. Pb. **RA:** K-6; **R:** 3-6

#### A Lion to Guard Us

☐ Bulla. Award-winning author tells a true story about three children, left alone in London in 1609, who make their way to the Virginia colony. Engrossing! Pb. **RA:** 1-6; **R:** 3-6

#### Stone Fox

☐ Gardiner. Ten-year-old Willy needs to win the big dogsled race in order to pay the back taxes on his grandfather's farm—but that means he has to beat Stone Fox and his incredible dogsled team. A stunning, heartwarming story. Pb. **RA:** 2-A; **R:** 3-A

#### And Then What Happened, Paul Revere?

☐ Fritz. The background and story of Paul Revere's famous ride, told by a master story-teller. Pb, illus. **RA:** K-6; **R:** 3-6

#### Tikta' Liktak

☐ Houston. A compelling and vivid story of survival in the Arctic. Wonderful portrayal of Inuit culture. Pb, illus. **RA:** K-A; **R:** 4-A

#### The Trailblazing Life of Daniel Boone

☐ Harness. The Trailblazing Life of Daniel Boone and

How Early Americans Took to the Road: The French & Indian War; Trails, Turnpikes, & the Great Wilderness ... Pb.

#### Vostaas: White Buffalo's Story of Plains Indian Life

☐ Votaas. A modern Cheyenne chief tells his story and the story of many Plains Indians today. Good information about Plains Indian culture written in a warm and personal manner, like a grandfather to his grandchildren. Pb, illus. **RA:** 1-7; **R:** 4-6

#### 4-Day Reader/5-Day Read-Aloud program also includes ▼

#### The White House is Burning

☐ Sutcliffe. This "biography of a single day" captures the burning of the White House by the British during the War of 1812 from the viewpoint of the people who were there, including First Lady Dolley Madison, a British officer, and a nine-year-old slave. Pb.

#### Alamo All-Stars

☐ Hale. Through his vivid depiction and additional maps, and biographies located in the back of the book, Nathan Hale brings new insight for students, teachers, and historians into one of the most iconic structures in the United States—The Alamo. Pb.