

Suggested Reading for 8th Grade Social Studies

Stories

- Wicked girls : a novel of the Salem witch trials by Hemphill, Stephanie
- Forge by Anderson, Laurie Halse
- Chains : seeds of America by Anderson, Laurie Halse
- The notorious Benedict Arnold : a true story of adventure, heroism, & treachery by Sheinkin, Steve
- Woods Runner by Paulsen, Gary
- Salt : a story of friendship in a time of war by Frost, Helen
- One Dead Spy by Hale, Nathan
- Big bad ironclad! by Hale, Nathan
- Red moon at Sharpsburg : a novel by Wells, Rosemary
- Chasing Lincoln's Killer by Swanson, James

Informative

- Written in bone : buried lives of Jamestown and Colonial Maryland by Walker, Sally
- 1607 : a new look at Jamestown by Lange, Karen
- Heroes of the American Revolution by Scarbrough, Mary Hertz
- King George : what was his problem? : everything your schoolbooks didn't tell you about the American Revolution by Sheinkin, Steve
- In full glory reflected : discovering the War of 1812 in the Chesapeake by Eshelman, Ralph E.
- Into the west : causes and effects of U.S. westward expansion by Collins, Terry
- Discovering Black America : from the age of exploration to the twenty-first century by Tarrant-Reid, Linda
- Jefferson's sons : a founding father's secret children by Kimberly Brubaker
- Fort Mose : and the story of the man who built the first free black settlement in Colonial America by Turner, Glennette Tilley
- Civil War witness : Mathew Brady's photos reveal the horrors of war by Nardo, Don
- The split history of the Civil War by Fitzgerald, Stephanie
- I'll pass for your comrade : women soldiers in the Civil War by Silvey, Anita
- Mr. Lincoln's high-tech war : how the North used the telegraph, railroads, surveillance balloons, ironclads, high-powered weapons, and more to win the Civil War by Allen, Thomas B.