



Skill Builders

U.S History Eras and Themes

Skill Builders uses authentic U.S. history content to help students explore the people, events, and ideas that have shaped the nation. Organized into 12 engaging themes spanning 1877 to today, the content provides a meaningful foundation for building historical thinking, reading, writing, and evidence-based reasoning skills.

1. New Beginnings: Colonies, Culture, and Commerce
2. From Colonies to Country: Revolution and the Founding of America
3. The Early Republic: Presidents, Power, and Promise
4. Expansion and Reform: Growth, Conflict, and Change
5. Union in Peril, Union Restored: The Civil War and Reconstruction
6. From Gilded to Guided: Industry and the Progressive Push
7. From Empire to Entanglement: Imperialism and WWI
8. The Roar, The Crash, The Response: The 1920s and Great Depression
9. The Era of Global Conflict: World War II and the Cold War
10. The Revolution Will Be Televised: Civil Rights and The Vietnam War
11. The Oval Office: Leadership, Policy, and Power
12. Innovations and Issues: America in Real Time

