

Primary Sources on the Web

General American History

(These websites contain almost anything you would ever want to find relating to American History).

My favorites:

The National Archives

<http://www.archives.gov/education/index.html>

Our Documents – 100 Milestone documents

<http://www.ourdocuments.gov/>

American Memory - Library of Congress

<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/index.html>

The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History

<http://www.gilderlehrman.org/>

Digitized Primary American History Sources

<http://www.library.uni.edu/instruction/digitalhistory.shtml>

In the First Person

<http://www.inthefirstperson.com>

Documenting the American South – UNC University Library

<http://docsouth.unc.edu/>

North Carolina's Digital database with resources and lesson plans

<http://www.learnnc.org/>

Center for History and New Media

<http://chnm.gmu.edu/index.php>

The Heritage Education Network (THEN)

<http://histpres.mtsu.edu/then/index.html>

David Rumsey Historical Map Collection

<http://davidrumsey.com/>

New York Public Library Digital Archives

<http://www.nypl.org/digital/index.htm>

The Henry Ford Collections

<http://www.hfmgv.org/collections/>

University of Michigan OAISTER – Open access index to digital repositories

<http://oaister.umdl.umich.edu/o/oaister/>

Picturing Modern America 1880 – 1920 – Historical Thinking Exercises for Middle and High School Students

<http://www.edc.org/CCT/PMA/>

Portraits of the Presidents and First ladies (1789 – 1992)

<http://rs6.loc.gov/amhome.html>

United States Historical Census Data Browser

<http://fisher.lib.virginia.edu.census>

United States Newspapers (1600 – 1900)

www.msstate.edu/Archives/History/USA/gazette.html

The Avalon Project at Yale Law School- Documents on Law, History, and Diplomacy (18th Century – Present)

<http://www.yale.edu/lawweb/avalon/avalon.htm>

Documents from the Continental Congress and the Constitutional Conventions (1774 – 1789)

<http://rs6.loc.gov/amhome.html>

Wars and Military Battles (from early history to present)

U.S. Army Center of Military History

<http://www.army.mil/cmh/>

The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History – Letter from America’s Wars (Audio & Visual)

http://www.gilderlehrman.org/collection/battlelines/index_good.html

American Experience--War Letters

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/amex/warletters/index.html>

Sheet music (contain imagery)

The Lester S. Levy Collection of Sheet Music (1780 – 1960)

<http://levysheetmusic.mse.jhu.edu/index.html>

Historic American Sheet Music – Duke University Special Collections (1850 – 1920)

<http://scriptorium.lib.duke.edu/sheetmusic/>

Early America

Archiving Early America (18th century documents, music, portraits, etc.)

<http://www.earlyamerica.com/>

The Revolutionary War

The Learning Page: The American Revolution, 1763-1783

<http://memory.loc.gov/learn/features/timeline/amrev/amrev.html>

The Price of Freedom: Americans At War

<http://americanhistory.si.edu/militaryhistory/>

Battle Lines: Letters From America's Wars

http://www.gilderlehrman.org/collection/battlelines/index_good.html

The American Revolution and Its Era: Maps and Charts of North America and the West Indies, 1750-1789

<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/gmdhtml/armhtml/armhome.html>

Folk Music of England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, and America: Songs of War

<http://www.contemplator.com/war.html#amer>

Hargrett Rare Book & Manuscript Library: Rare Map Collection - Revolutionary America

<http://www.libs.uga.edu/darchive/hargrett/maps/revamer.html>

History through the Eyes of Congress: Soldiers of the Revolutionary War

<http://www.lib.msu.edu/foxre/revsoldispl.html>

Legacies: Collecting America's History at the Smithsonian

<http://www.smithsonianlegacies.si.edu/category.cfm?category=Revolutionary%20War>

Pictures of the Revolutionary War

<http://www.archives.gov/research/american-revolution/pictures/index.html>

Civil War

The Valley of the Shadow: Two Communities in the American Civil War
<http://valley.vcdh.virginia.edu/>

Documenting the American South: The Southern Homefront, 1861-1865
<http://docsouth.unc.edu/imls/>

Diaries of Civil War Women
<http://scriptorium.lib.duke.edu/women/cwdocs.html>

Selected Civil War Photographs
<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/cwphhtml/cwphome.html>

The Civil War
<http://www.pbs.org/civilwar/>

Primary Sources: Civil War Effects
<http://www.ket.org/civilwar/primary.html>

CivilWar@Smithsonian: Collections
<http://civilwar.si.edu/collections.html>

American Civil War Collections at the Electronic Text Center
<http://etext.virginia.edu/civilwar/>

Antietam National Battlefield Image Gallery
<http://www.nps.gov/anti/gallery.htm>

Assassination of President Abraham Lincoln
<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/alhtml/alrintr.html>

The Avalon Project at Yale Law School: Confederate States of America Documents
<http://www.yale.edu/lawweb/avalon/csa/csapage.htm>

Civil War: Soldiers & Sailors System
<http://www.itd.nps.gov/cwss/>

The Civil War Home Page
<http://www.civil-war.net/>

The Historical New York Times Project: Chapter 2: The Civil War Years, 1860-1866
<http://www.nyt.ulib.org/read.cgi?type=contents>

Jump Back in Time: Civil War (1860-1865)
<http://www.americaslibrary.gov/cgi-bin/page.cgi/jb/civil>

The Library of Congress: Civil War Maps
http://lcweb2.loc.gov/ammem/collections/civil_war_maps/

Music of the Civil War
<http://www.nps.gov/gett/gettkidz/music.htm>

Personal Memoirs of U.S. Grant
<http://www.bartleby.com/1011/>

Poetry and Music of the War Between the States
<http://www.civilwarpoetry.org/>

Making of America – digital sources from antebellum period through reconstruction
<http://www.hti.umich.edu/m/moagrp/>

Slavery

American Visionaries: Frederick Douglass
<http://www.cr.nps.gov/museum/exhibits/douglass/>

Slavery Resources Online (1700s – 1800s)
<http://vi.uh.edu/pages.mintz.gilder.htm>

Third person, First Person: Slave Voices from the rare book, manuscripts, and special collections library (1700s – 1800s).
<http://scriptorium.lib.duke.edu/slavery>

African American Perspectives (1818-1907)
<http://rs6.loc.gov/amhome.html>

The War of 1812

The War of 1812 – Galafilm War of 1812 website (contains many maps)
<http://www.galafilm.com/1812/e/index.html>

The Dolley Madison Digital Edition (Letters 1788 – 1836)
<http://rotunda.upress.virginia.edu:8080/dmde/>

Votes for Women: Selections from the National American Woman Suffrage Association Collection (1848 – 1921)
<http://rs6.loc.gov/amhome.html>

Nationalism (1800s)
<http://history.hanover.edu/modern/national.htm>

Temperance and Prohibition (1873 – 1928)
<http://www.cohums.ohio-state.edu/history/projects/prohibition>

World War I

WWI Document Archive
<http://www.lib.byu.edu/~rdh/wwi/>

First Call – American Posters of World War One from the collection of Roger N. Mohovich – Georgetown University Library
<http://www.library.georgetown.edu/dept/speccoll/amposter.htm>

American Leaders Speak: Recordings from World War I and the 1920 Election
<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/nfhtml/nfhome.html>

Anonymous Diary, September 18, 1918 – July 20, 1919
<http://library.uncg.edu/depts/archives/veterans/ww1dy1.html>

The First World War – Sources for History – British National Archives
<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/pathways/firstworldwar/>

Depression Era

New Deal Network
<http://newdeal.feri.org/>

The FDR Cartoon Archive (1932-1943)
http://www.wizvax.net/nisk_hs/fdr.index.html

World War II

Women and World War II (1939 – 1945)
http://stg.brown.edu/projects/WWII_Women/tocCS.html

Dear Home – Letters From Home – WWII - The History Channel
<http://www.history.com/minisites/dearhome/>

A-bomb museum (1945)
<http://www.csi.ad.jp/ABOMB/index.html>

The Vietnam War Era

Veterans History Project

<http://www.loc.gov/vets/about.html>

The Wars for Viet Nam: 1945 to 1975

<http://vietnam.vassar.edu/>

Another Vietnam - Photographs

<http://www.anothervietnam.com/>

Communist Propaganda From North Vietnam Project

<http://www.library.wisc.edu/guides/SEAsia/vnimage/vnintro.htm>

In Pictures: Fall of Saigon

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/asia-pacific/720724.stm>

RE: Vietnam--Stories Since the War

<http://www.pbs.org/pov/stories/>

Research in Military Records: Vietnam War

<http://www.archives.gov/research/vietnam-war/>

Songs of Americans in the Vietnam War

<http://faculty.buffalostate.edu/fishlm/folksongs/americansongs.htm>

The Vietnam Project

<http://www.vietnam.ttu.edu/>

Vietnam: The Music of Protest

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/americas/4498011.stm>

The Sixties Project (1960 – 1969)

<http://lists.village.virginia.edu/sixties>

Documents from the Women's Liberation movement (1960s – 1970s)

<http://scriptorium.lib.duke.edu/wlm>

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