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Getting to American Memory:

- Link to “American Memory” from the Flash bar at top right of Library home page; click “Go”; *OR*
- Click on “Digital Collections” and choose “American History & Culture”

What do you want to search today?

- Type keywords into “Search all collections” at top right
- Arrive at a list of primary sources (at left) and the collections containing them (at right)
- Need ideas? Check out what happened “Today in History”

List of primary sources—what do you see?

- List view: titles of items and names of collections
- Gallery view: titles and thumbnail images of items—*great way to search photographs*

Remember to follow the trail of bread crumbs:

- Each page links back to American Memory and Library of Congress (from top toolbar)

Select your item—now what?

- Arrive at the bibliographic page
- Click on the thumbnail image to make larger
- Find the title and other information
- Link to cross-referenced subjects for related searches

Browse collections:

- Try “More browse options” at bottom left
- Select a topic and arrive at a list of collections
- Select one and arrive at collection home page, which has title, description, and search options
- Search by keyword or browse by subject
- Learn how to incorporate this collection’s materials into the classroom by clicking on “Collection Connections”

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- Click the “help” button at the top of the page
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