TEACHING WITH PRIMARY SOURCES—MTSU
THIRD GRADE RESOURCE GUIDE

SUGGESTIONS FOR TEACHERS

The Library of Congress Web site offers a variety of sources that align with the Tennessee Social Studies standards for fifth grade. Many of the items found within this resource guide can be used directly with students while others will provide background information to aid teachers as they engage students with primary sources. When introducing primary sources to young students, begin with asking them “What do you see?”. This is a great way to begin building observation skills and helping students to draw connections between their own experiences and source material used in class. Follow this link for other helpful teaching tools available through Middle Tennessee State University’s Teaching with Primary Sources website.

Geography: 3.01-3.13
Maps and Globes, 3.01-3.05

- Getting Started with Maps in the Classroom (Blog)
- Maps from the World Digital Library (Primary Source Set)
- Map Collections (Collection Connections)
- Worksheet for Analysis of a Map—Tennessee State Library and Archives
- Map Analysis and Using Cardinal Directions with Historic Maps (Lesson Plan)
- The Iditarod: The Last Great Race (Lesson Plan, Lesson will need to be adapted for third grade students.)
- Maps and Mapmakers: Seeing what’s on the Map (Activity)
World Geography, 3.06-3.08

- Geography Themed Resources
- Zoom into Maps (Activity)

United States and Tennessee Geography, 3.09-3.13

- North America [2006]
  - America’s Story: Explore the States (Interactive Map)
  - Physical Features of the United States (Map)
  - Panoramic Maps (Collection Connections)

- Organization map, Tennessee [1995]

- Political World Map [2001]

- Physical map of the world, April 2007 [2007]

- Economics 3.14-3.18

- Plant Travel: Studying the World through Ecosystems (Lesson Plan)

- Trains and Travel: Then and Now (Lesson Plan, Lesson will need to be adapted for third grade students)

- Changing Times and Boundaries: Maps of Early Tennessee (Lesson Plan—Tennessee State Library and Archives. Lesson will need to be adapted for third grade students)

- East Tennessee (Primary Source Set)

- Middle Tennessee (Primary Source Set)

- West Tennessee (Primary Source Set)

- Local History: Mapping My Spot (Lesson Plan)

- America’s Story: Explore the States—Tennessee

- Howth and Ireland’s Eye, County Dublin, Ireland [c.1890-1900]
Indigenous Peoples through European Exploration (prior to 1585), 3.19-3.22

- The Province of Georgia in 1740: Economic Progress and Indians
- Franco-Indian Alliances
- The Capital and the Bay: Narratives of Washington and the Chesapeake Bay Region ca. 1600-1925
- Virginia’s Early Relations with Native Americans
- Native Americans: Exhibitions and Presentations
- Destroying the Native American Cultures (Activity)

Indians to the Northwest of South Carolina [1929]

Phillip [sic] alias Metacomet of Pakanoket [c.1881]

The figure of the Indians' fort [1638]

Goffe rallying the men of Hadley [in defense of Indian attack during King Philip’s War] (Image)

King (Metacomet) Philip, Sachem of the Wampanoags, d. 1676, full length, standing at treaty table with white men [c.1911]
Indigenous Peoples through European Exploration (prior to 1585), 3.19-3.22

- **Discovery and Exploration** (Collection)
- **France in America** (Collection Connections)
- **Hispanic Exploration in America** (Primary Source Set)
- **The Atlantic World: America and the Netherlands** (Collection Connections)
- **Historical Empathy: Columbus and the Indians** (Lesson Plan, Lesson will need to be adapted for third grade students.)
- **1492: An Ongoing Voyage** (Exhibition)
- **America’s Story: Christopher Columbus Saw Land!**
- **Columbus Day**

![Columbus taking possession of the new country](1893)
- **Landing of De Soto in Florida** (1855)
- **Florida with the march of de Soto and his men, 1539-1544** (map)
- **Hernando de Soto** (Parallel Histories)
- **Ferdinand Magellan, 1581** (1810)
- **Parallel Histories: Spain, United States and the American Frontier** (Collection Connections)
- **Amerigo Vespucci, 1451-1512** (c.1902)
- **Universalis cosmographia secundum Ptolomaei traditionem et Americi Vespucii aliorumque lustrationes** (1507)
Early North American Settlements (1585-1600s), 3.23-3.31

- **Colonial Settlement, 1600s-1763** (Timeline)
- **America’s Story: Colonial America (1492-1763)**
- **Colonial and Early America: For Students** (Themed Resources)

**Virginia** [1624]

- **America’s Story: The Lost Colony**
- **Ill-fated Roanoke Colony**
- **The Lost Colony**
- **Virginia’s Early Relations with Native Americans** (Timeline)

**Plymouth in 1692** [c.1901]

- **History of Plymouth** (Archival Collection)
- **Signing of the compact in the cabin of the Mayflower** [c.1910-1930] (Image)
- **Thanksgiving** (Primary Source Set)
- **Massachusetts Bay Colony** (Map)
- **Gov. John Winthrop** [c.1860-1880] (Image)
- **America’s Story: Explore the States—Massachusetts**

**Landing of the Pilgrims at Plymouth 11th Dec. 1620** [c.1838-1856]

- **The “Starving Time,” Winter of 1609-1610** (Timeline)
- **America’s Story: Jamestown**
- **Jamestown** (Primary Source Set)
- **Jamestown Given New Life, 1610** (Timeline)
- **The “Starving Time” in Jamestown** (Lesson Plan)
- **America’s Story: Explore the States—Virginia**
Early North American Settlements
(1585-1600s), 3.23-3.31

Roger Williams statue, Roger Williams Park, Providence, R.I.

An accurate map of the British colonies in North America bordering on the river Ohio [c.1755]

Catholic Settlement in MD [C.1937]
- A relation of the successful beginnings of the Lord Baltemore's plantation in Maryland (Image Collection)
- Religious & civil liberty established in Maryland in 1649 [1793] (Image)
- America’s Story: Explore the States—Maryland

James Edward Oglethorpe, 1698-1785, full-length statue, facing right [c.1910]
- Establishing the Georgia Colony, 1732-1750 (Timeline)
- America’s Story: Explore the States—Georgia

- Roger Williams, Rhode Island
- America’s Story: Roger Williams, Founder of Rhode Island
- America’s Story: Explore the States—Rhode Island

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The trappers camp-fire, A friendly visitor [c.1866]

- Fur Trade on the Upper Lakes, 1778 -1815 (Image Collection)

Daniel Boone [c. 1835]
- Daniel Boone (Drawing)
- America’s Story: Daniel Boone, (1764-1789)

McConnell’s Historical maps of the United States [1919]

Visit Discover Tennessee History for more Tennessee related resources and tools for educators.