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Best of History Sites

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www.besthistorysites.net

The Best of History Sites is unmatched in breadth and depth of coverage, providing links to more than 1,000 of the best history sites on the Web, plus links to hundreds of quality sites for history teachers and students: lesson plans, teacher guides, activities, games, quizzes, and additional resources. References to other sites are annotated to help guide you in your selections. This site features a list of history categories to get you started, including prehistory, ancient/biblical, medieval, U.S. history, twentieth century, art history, and maps. Separate categories are available for teacher/classroom resources.

Conversations with History

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globetrotter.berkeley.edu/conversations

Important figures in recent history, including politicians, diplomats, news professionals, authors, and more, are featured in unedited interviews conducted in past years. The home page for this site is rather unimpressive, but the content at the site is pretty cool. You can view webcasts of the conversations, download Podcasts, and visit Professor Harry Kreisler's blog, where he follows up on intriguing discussions. When you hit the home page, scroll down to the bottom to access links for searching the database of interviews by name or date.

EyeWitness to History

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www.eyewitnesstohistory.com

Read eyewitness experiences of historical events, sorted by date, to get a better idea of what life was like during specific time periods. Covers everything from ancient history to World War II and features

snapshots, audio recordings of voices from the past, an index, and the EyeWitness Store. Very cool site that's easy to navigate and packed with interesting, first-hand historical reports.

History Channel

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www.historychannel.com

Select a decade back to 1800 and search for information on events during that time period at this site. Read articles about historical events, find out about upcoming TV reports on the History Channel, and chat with other history buffs. Don't miss the History Channel store; see what books and videotapes are available for purchase. Also features guides for history teachers.

History House

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www.historyhouse.com

A history site devoted to digging up and reporting the dirt of historical events and characters, helping to make history come alive. Search the archives for past articles and stay tuned for more interesting historical trivia. Site now features a discussion forum.

History Matters

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historymatters.gmu.edu

Developed by the American Social History Project/Center for Media & Learning, City University of New York, and the Center for History and New Media, George Mason University, this site provides resources for high school and college-level history teachers. Provides sample syllabi, reference texts, teaching materials, and links to dozens of other resources on the Web. Whether you teach history for a living or just enjoy studying it, this is a fantastic site.

History On-Line1 2 3 4 5
▲**www.history.ac.uk**

Developed by the Institute of Historical Research (IHR), this site is devoted to “promoting high-quality resources for the teaching and learning of history in the UK.” Here, you can learn about the Institute for Historical Research, search History On-Line, or check out a useful collection of links to resources on researching and teaching specific topics.

History Place1 2 3 4 5
▲**www.historyplace.com**

Find images, documents, speeches, and more historical information compiled for students and educators, but available to anyone. Students can come here to get help with their history homework.

Irish History on the Web1 2 3 4 5
▲**larkspirit.com/history**

Irish History on the Web provides a unique resource for anyone interested in learning about or researching a wide variety of Irish history topics. Like a sourcebook, most of the links found here will lead to primary documents, original essays, bibliographies, or specific informational sites.

National Women’s History Project1 2 3 4 5
▲**www.nwhp.org**

Committed to providing education, promotional materials, and informational services to recognize and celebrate women’s contributions to society.

Smithsonian Natural History Museum1 2 3 4 5
▲**www.mnh.si.edu**

The National Museum of Natural History is part of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C.,

and is dedicated to understanding the natural world and our place in it. This site provides an abundance of online resources about the natural sciences. Be sure to spend a few minutes browsing the online store at smithsonianstore.com!

AFRICA**Africa South of the Sahara**1 2 3 4 5
▲**library.stanford.edu/africa/history.html**

This site features a huge collection of links to other websites that offer information about a host of topics ranging from Afrocentrism and Archeology to Slavery and South Africa. Links are annotated, making this an excellent guide for beginning your exploration of African history, culture, economy, genealogy, and religion.

Internet African History Sourcebook1 2 3 4 5
▲**www.fordham.edu/halsall/africa/africasbook.html**

Africa is a continent easy to delineate geographically, but diverse and complex historically, politically, and culturally, which are the areas that this website explores. This site is organized as a book on the history of Africa from ancient to modern times, providing links to content and resources scattered all over the Web.

South African History Online1 2 3 4 5
▲**www.sahistory.org.za**

South African History Online (SAHO) is “a non-partisan people’s history project,” dedicated to promoting research, popularizing South African history, and addressing the history and cultural heritage of Black South Africans in an unbiased way. Site features separate areas for People, Places, Arts & Culture, Chronology, and Resources and is packed with animations, photos, maps, biographies, and additional information about the fascinating history of South Africa.

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Ancestors in the Americas

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www.cetel.org

The Center for Educational Telecommunications created and maintains this site to inform visitors of “the untold history and contemporary legacy of early Asian immigrants to the Americas, from the 1700s to the 1900s.” Based on CET’s three-part television series, this site features overviews of each part: *Part I: Coolies, Sailors, Settlers: Voyage to the New World*; *Part II: Chinese in the Frontier West: An American Story*; and *Part III: Crossing the Continent; Crossing the Pacific*. The series is intentionally left without an ending because the story is still in progress. This site features a companion book, study guide, sample movie clips, and areas where you can search for your Asian ancestors (if you have Asian ancestors) and post your story (if you’re an immigrant from an Asian country).

Cultures & History of the Americas

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www.loc.gov/exhibits/kislak

Presentation by the Library of Congress in celebration of the donation of the Jay I. Kislak Collection. This exhibition features “50 highlights from the more than 4,000 rare books, maps, documents, paintings, prints, and artifacts that make up the Jay I. Kislak Collection at the Library of Congress.” The exhibition “focuses on the early Americas from the time of the indigenous people of Mexico, Central America, and the Caribbean through the period of European contact, exploration, and settlement.” This site features photos of the many exhibits, each accompanied by a brief description of the item. A couple interactive presentations are also available.

Hispanic History in the Americas

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teacher.scholastic.com/activities/hispanic/americas.htm

Interactive map that enables you to trace the history of Spanish influence on the Americas back 500 years. Click on a city, state, country, or continent and then use the resulting timeline to obtain infor-

mation on critical eras events in the development of that city, state, country, or continent in respect to its Spanish heritage. The interactive nature of this site makes it a great place for students of all ages. Special content, including lesson plans, is available for teachers.

History of the Americas

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vlib.iue.it/history/americas

This site is a virtual library of links to sites that cover the history, politics, culture, and other aspects of various South and Central American countries, including Argentina, Bolivia, Columbia, Cuba, and Peru, to name a few. The address provided here points to an FTP server, which displays a list of folders for each country, and when we visited the site, nobody was currently in charge of maintaining it, so the site’s appearance isn’t top notch. However, the site does offer an outstanding collection of links, many of which point to official country sites, where you can learn a great deal about the country and its history.

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Ancient Greece at the World History Compass

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www.worldhistorycompass.com/greece.htm

Search for information about ancient Greek literature, art, and culture. Huge directory of links to other resources on Athens, Archimedes, medicine, art, architecture, astronomy, mathematics, and much more.

Ancient Worlds

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www.ancientsites.com

This site features some excellent content on the popular hangouts in ancient history: Rome, Athens, Egypt, Babylon, Celtia, Germania, Machu Picchu, and the Orient. The site design leaves a lot to be desired, making it difficult to locate specific content, but that’s because the content at this site comes primarily from a wide range of contributors

making it difficult to give everything a consistent look and feel. Nonetheless, this site does feature excellent content and graphics.

BBC: Inside Ancient History

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www.bbc.co.uk/history/ancient

The BBC's site on ancient history is unmatched in both breadth and depth. The opening page provides links to the major players in the ancient world: Egyptians, Greeks, Romans, Vikings, British Prehistory, and Anglo Saxons. When you click a link, the site takes you to a page packed with additional content organized by subject. For example, click Egyptians pulls up a page with sections on Pyramids and Monuments, Mummification, Gods and Beliefs, Pharaohs and Dynasties, Daily Life, and Hieroglyphs. Site offers excellent content, plenty of photos and interactive activities, and other engaging features.

Jaguar: Icon of Power Through Mayan History

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www.oneworldjourneys.com/jaguar/history.html

Ancient Mayan civilizations were some of the most advanced civilizations on the planet. At this site, you can explore the timeline from 12,000 B.C. to the present, investigate highlights in Mayan history and view a map that shows the areas where they were most active. Nicely designed site.

ARCTIC & ANTARCTICA

Antarctica: History and Exploration

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www.factmonster.com/ce6/world/A0856635.html

Good introduction to Antarctic history covers early expeditions up to the Antarctic Treaty and current research. Great place for kids to do research projects on Antarctica.

Antarctic History

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www.antarcticaonline.com/antarctica/history/history.htm

Antarctica was discovered only a couple hundred years ago and began to be inhabited by humans only a hundred years or so after that, so its history is relatively brief, but people suspected its existence long before that. Visit this site to learn more about the intriguing history of Antarctica and how humans eventually happened upon it. Content covers prediscovery, the heroic age (of discovery), early seal hunting, whaling, the mechanized age (of discovery), territorial disputes, and more.

Arctic Studies Center

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www.mnh.si.edu/arctic

The Smithsonian Institute's Arctic Studies Center "explores the history of northern peoples, cultures, and environments, and the issues that matter to northern residents today." This site features an excellent collection of multimedia presentations on everything from the Ainu, an ancient people of northern Japan; the Vikings; Arctic wildlife; and the gateways to the north.

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 **AsianInfo.org**

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www.asianinfo.org

"AsianInfo.org is devoted to introducing Asian culture, traditions and general information to the world," and this site delivers on that promise. Site is well-designed, easy to navigate, and packed with useful and reliable information about the many countries that comprise Asia. The opening page contains a few feature articles along with a list of links that run down the left side of the page for individual countries listed alphabetically from B to V—Bhurma to Vietnam. When you click a link for

a country, the resulting page presents a few more feature articles along with links for History, Politics, People, Transportation, Languages, Religion, and other aspects of that country. Site features plenty of maps and photos to keep visitors engaged and informed while they're touring this fantastic site.

East Asian History

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rspas.anu.edu.au/eah

The International Journal East Asian History is “a compilation of articles on subjects of historical significance in the East Asian area, as well as on issues of contemporary concern or neglected aspects and subregions of Asia.” Here, you can also find articles on “art and architecture, technology and the environment, and the history of ideas, emotions, and subjective experience.” You can access online versions of past issues back to 1991.

East & Southeast Asia: An Annotated Directory

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newton.uor.edu/Departments&programs/AsianStudiesDept

Robert Y. Eng at the University of Redlands assembled this annotated directory of links to the best websites that provide content on East and Southeast Asia history and politics. Links are organized by country, including the following: China, Japan, Korea, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Mongolia, Indonesia, Philippines, and Vietnam, to name a few. Very extensive and comprehensive, making this a great place to start your search on Asian history.

Tip: Look for the thumbs-up icon to spot the most content-rich sites.

History of China

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www.chaos.umd.edu/history/toc.html

Online book that covers the history of China from the dawn of history up to the reform periods (1980–1988). The opening page contains a clickable table of contents, making it easy to jump to the desired topic. Coverage of each topic is brief and to the point.

Indian History

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www.indhistory.com

Excellent guide to the history of India and its people from ancient times to the present. The opening page provides a brief introduction. The navigation bar on the left enables you to explore various topics related to Indian history, including Hindu Gods and Temples, the Aryans, Hinduism, the Upanishads, and links to other websites. Scroll down to the bottom of the page for a timeline that's basically broken down into early, middle, and recent. The site doesn't look like much at first glance; but if you follow the trail of links, you'll find that the site contains some excellent content.

Japanese History

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www.japan-guide.com/e/e641.html

The Japan Guide is a site primarily for those who plan on visiting Japan for a cultural experience. The History page helps tourists and other interested individuals learn the basics of Japanese history. Content covers Early Japan to the Postwar Period and includes links to plenty of other related content, including the Samurai, Emperors, Castles, Religion, Politics, and Atom Bombs. Site features photos, too.

Korean History Project

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www.koreanhistoryproject.org

The Korean History Project began as “an educational effort to research, produce and publish Korean and East Asian history online, to promote history education and cultural understanding, and to make a valuable history resource easily accessible to a worldwide audience.” This site features two main components—a full-length book called *Korea in the Eye of the Tiger*, which reveals “East Asian History and the complex relationships among Korea, China, Manchuria, Mongolia, Russia, Japan, Europe, and the United States in their quest for power and influence in Asia, and *Journey to Asia*, “a guide to learning about the geography, weather, languages, and governments of Korea, China, Japan, Mongolia, and Russia.” When you open one of the books, you're greeted with a brief

introduction. Point to the Table of Contents link to display a pop-up menu that enables you to jump to the desired chapter in the book.

The Most Comprehensive Reference on the Political History of Pakistan

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www.storyofpakistan.com

The title of this website says it all—this truly is the most comprehensive reference on the political history of Pakistan, leading visitors from the prehistory of Pakistan up to the present day. A clickable timeline that runs down the left side of the page enables you to head quickly to the period in which you're interested. Site also features links to the most significant people in the history of Pakistan and includes a discussion board where you can discuss history with those who share your interest. Outstanding site.

TravelChinaGuide: History

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www.travelchinaguide.com/intro/history

The TravelChinaGuide is designed to get tourists up to speed on all aspects of the country, including its history, geography, climate, and national identity. The History page opens with a clickable timeline of China history, from prehistoric times to the Qing Dynasty (1644–1911).

Related Site

www.historyforkids.org/learn/china/index.htm

AUSTRALIA & OCEANIA

Australia: Tertiary History

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www.teachers.ash.org.au/ausseed/terthis.htm

Huge, annotated directory of links that cover all aspects of Australian history. Links are grouped in categories including Australian History, Convicts and Transportation, Explorers, Federation, World War I, and World War II.

Australian History: Selected Websites

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www.nla.gov.au/oz/histsite.html

The Australian government provides a small collection of links to websites that cover the history of Australia. Sites are grouped into several categories: General; Historical Texts Online; Manuscripts, Archives, and Registers; Museums; Libraries; Associations; and Overseas Sources. Good place to start your research.

Countries Quest: Oceania

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www.countriesquest.com/oceania.htm

Oceania is comprised of a large group of islands that includes Australia and New Zealand. Finding sites on the history of Australia and New Zealand is relatively easy, but finding sites that cover the history of the Cook Islands, Marshall Islands, Palau, and Tokelau can be quite a challenge. This site covers the history of those islands and island groups, along with many others.

Indigenous Australia

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www.dreamtime.net.au

The Australian Museum Online presents this site, which “explores Indigenous Australia through storytelling, cultures and histories. It includes Stories of the Dreaming, teachers’ resources and content for students.” Click the About Indigenous Australia link to access a timeline, and then click the timeline links to jump to the era in which you’re interested. This site reaches beyond the basic history to provide background information on cultural heritage, religion, family, land, and social justice. Special area is included to provide students with fact sheets, an online dictionary that explains terminology, and tips for navigating the site. Teachers can find special content for their classes, too.

New Zealand History

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history.nz.org

Excellent introduction to New Zealand history covers the discovery of New Zealand by the Polynesians

and Europeans, the colonization of the country, its wars, the Maori people, and New Zealand as it is today. The navigation bar on the left makes moving around the site and finding specific information easy.

Related Sites

www.nzhistory.net.nz

www.zealand.org.nz/history.htm

CANADA

Canada History

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www.canadahistory.com

This site opens with a page of links to various areas of Canadian history, including News, Periods, Documents, Conflict, Political, and Geography. The site design is a little antiquated, but the articles provide an excellent introduction of Canada from early times to the present.



Canada: A People's History

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history.cbc.ca/histicons

This outstanding history site features a clickable timeline that runs across the top of the page. Click a century and then click a specific decade or quarter in that century to pull up the corresponding page. (You can rest the mouse pointer on the orange decade or quarter century links to display a brief overview of significant events.) The resulting page provides an illustrated article on the selected period along with links that enable you to navigate the article and pull up additional content. Or, you can click the Search This Site box to look for specific content. Site also provides biographies, bibliographies, special content for teachers, discussion forums, and games and puzzles.

Civilization.ca

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www.civilization.ca

The Canadian Museum of Civilization features a great collection of online articles and exhibits, and a fair collection of resources on Canadian history. From the opening page, click the History link (in

the navigation bar on the left), and follow the trail of links to specific exhibits related to Canadian history. Special exhibits include the A History of the Native People of Canada, Canadian Inuit History—A Thousand-Year Odyssey, and Immigration to Western Canada: The Early 20th Century. Links to dozens of other fascinating museum exhibits along with a directory of links to other sites.

The Halifax Explosion

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www.cbc.ca/halifaxexplosion

On December 6, 1917, the world witnessed one of the largest and most devastating man-made explosions it had ever seen—the Halifax explosion, leaving nearly 2,000 people dead and 9,000 injured. Visit this site to experience some of the horror of that day and see what survivors have to say about it.

Historica: The Canadian Encyclopedia

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www.historica.ca

This online encyclopedia of Canada opens with a page that provides you with links to access many of its special areas, including Youth Links, a program that encourages students to discuss and explore Canadian history online. The site features a History Resources link at the top of the page, but you may have better luck clicking the link for *The Canadian Encyclopedia* on the left and then clicking the link Timeline of Canadian History. Site also features links for the 100 Greatest Event in Canadian History, a Canucklehead Quiz, Interactive Resources (including games and interactive maps), and much more. Excellent site for students, teachers, and anyone else who's interested in Canadian history. This site also includes plenty of short audio and video presentations, primarily dramatizations of historical events.

The History of Canada

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www.linksnorth.com/canada-history

This site provides an excellent overview of Canadian history starting with its discover and rediscovery and leading up to the current times. A clickable timeline runs down the right side of the page, enabling you to quickly jump to a specific period in the history of Canada. Articles are short, so don't expect any in-depth discussions.

CURRENT AFFAIRS**Current Affairs**1 2 3 4 5
▲www.currentaffairs.com

This site gathers news feeds from around the world and presents them on a single page, providing quick access to news from around the world.

Politics and Current Affairs Forum1 2 3 4 5
▲www.politicsandcurrentaffairs.co.uk/Forum

Online discussion forum out of the United Kingdom that enables participants to discuss events and issues of the day. Site features discussions on world events, the U.S., the economy and the environment, and other special interest areas. One forum called Anything Goes, leaves the floor wide open. Online polls are often common.

DOCUMENTS AND LANDMARKS**American Memory**1 2 3 4 5
▲memory.loc.gov/ammem

This site is part of the National Digital Library Program, which is an effort to digitize and deliver electronically the distinctive, historical Americana holdings at the Library of Congress, including photographs, manuscripts, rare books, maps, recorded sound, and moving pictures. Here, you can view maps, images, and materials related to our country's history.

A Chronology of U.S. Historical Documents1 2 3 4 5
▲www.law.ou.edu/hist

A huge list of historical documents in chronological order, with explanations of the significance of each.

England Landmarks and Historical Sites1 2 3 4 5
▲www.England.worldweb.com/Photos/LandmarksandHistoricSites

From the WorldWeb travel guide comes this collection of landmarks and historical places in England, complete with photographs. If you're planning to visit England, check here first to scope out some of the more interesting attractions.

Frank Lloyd Wright Home and Studio1 2 3 4 5
▲www.wrightplus.org

Take a tour of Frank Lloyd Wright's home and studio. He and his family lived there from 1898 to 1909. See where the Prairie School of Architecture was born. Check out where Wright experimented with designs in his home and studio before he shared them with clients. If you're in the Oak Park, Illinois, area, you can visit the house in person; the site lists the tour hours.

George Washington's Mount Vernon1 2 3 4 5
▲www.mountvernon.org

Tour, archaeological, membership, and lesson-plan information about the home of the first president of the United States. Site also features an archeological concentration game for kids.

Guggenheim Museum1 2 3 4 5
▲www.guggenheim.org

Read about the New York museum's history and architecture; its numerous programs, including tours; upcoming exhibitions; ways to become a member and all the benefits of membership; and the museum store, where you can buy art books, gifts, jewelry, children's books and toys, and signature Guggenheim products. Also available is information on the other four international museum locations.

Henry Ford Estate: Fair Lane

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www.umd.umich.edu/fairlane

Visit the estate of automotive pioneer Henry Ford. You can take a virtual tour of the estate and visit the beautiful rooms. If you're in the Dearborn, Michigan, area, you can visit the estate in person; check out the list of tour times. Christmas is a special time at Fair Lane, with activities for the whole family, including Ginger Bread House making, breakfast with Santa, tea, a sumptuous traditional Christmas dinner, and a candlelight tour. Be sure to check out the new gift shop page for books, jewelry, and gifts.

Landmarks for Schools

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www.landmark-project.com

The Landmarks Project was established to help teachers find valuable teaching resources on the Internet. This site provides links primarily to earth science and social studies sites. The section on Words of Humankind features the complete text of many historical documents.

League of Nations Statistical and Disarmament Documents

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www.library.northwestern.edu/govinfo/collections/league

Northwestern University Library houses its digital collection "League of Nations Statistical and Disarmament Documents" at this website. It "contains the full text of 260 League of Nations documents. The documents in this digitized collection focus on three areas: the founding of the League, international statistics published by the League, and the League's work toward international disarmament." You can browse the directory of documents or search for a specific document. All documents are presented in PDF format.

Moscow Landmarks

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www.moscow-landmarks.com

This site features information on the main three landmarks in Moscow: The Kremlin, Red Square,

and Gorky Park, providing details on tourist attractions you might find interesting.

Mount Rushmore

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www.nps.gov/moru/index.htm

History of the sculpture, current and historical pictures, and tourist information. Also provides information on the Junior Ranger Program for young visitors.

National Civil Rights Museum

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www.civilrightsmuseum.org

Virtual tour of exhibits of the museum located on the site of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s assassination in Memphis.

National Parks and Monuments

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www.nps.gov

Information on the United States national parks and monuments. Pick a park to learn about its main attractions and the history of the park, or print out a tour guide.

Our Documents

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www.ourdocuments.gov

Top 100 documents in the history of the United States, including the Declaration of Independence, Articles of Confederation, the patent for the cotton gin, Thomas Edison's patent application for the light bulb, and 96 other documents that marked milestones. Site features a preview of the each document, the complete text of each document, and a PDF that shows each document in high resolution. You can cast your vote for the most significant document in U.S. history. Site also features special tools for educators, news and events, national competitions, and links to related resources.

Statue of Liberty–Ellis Island Foundation1 2 3 4 5
▲**webcenter.ellisland.netscape.com**

The Statue of Liberty—Ellis Island Foundation was formed in 1982 to help with the restoration of the Statue of Liberty. This site provides a brief history and background of the foundation and of the restoration. It also features a passenger search area for genealogy buffs, and several pages that introduce visitors to the history of Ellis Island.

Susan B. Anthony House Museum and National Landmark1 2 3 4 5
▲**www.susanbathonyhouse.org**

Take an online tour of the Susan B. Anthony house located in Rochester, New York. Learn about this great women's suffrage leader and antislavery activist. Be a part of history and donate to the capital campaign drive to help preserve and expand the house so that people might visit for years to come. Visit other historical links to learn more about famous women in history.

EUROPE**British Timeline**1 2 3 4 5
▲**www.bbc.co.uk/history/timelines/britain/o_neo_bronze.shtml**

The BBC history pages are some of the best multimedia presentations of history. This particular site focuses on British history, from the Neolithic and Bronze ages, which began around 8300 B.C., through the Middle Ages, and on to modern times. Simply click the desired era in the list on the left and follow the trail of links to the year you want to research. Site features articles, a multimedia zone, and links to biographies of historical figures. Great place to bone up on your knowledge of kings and queens.

European History1 2 3 4 5
▲**www.lib.washington.edu/subject/History/tm/europe.html**

Annotated directory of websites broken down by category, including General European Sites, World War I, and Regional Sites (France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Nordic Countries, Spain & Portugal, and Switzerland & Austria). Also contains links to Ancient History, Medieval History, History of Science, British & Irish History, and World War II, which provide additional leads to topics related to European history. An excellent starting point for your research.

European Navigator1 2 3 4 5
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RSS

www.ena.lu

This site provides an interactive, multimedia presentation of the history of post WWII Europe. The opening page features a navigation bar for accessing links to Historical Events, European Organizations, Special Files, Interviews (with historians and government officials), and ENA & Education (which offers plenty of tips on how to use ENA as an educational tool).

European Union History1 2 3 4 5
▲**europa.eu/abc/history/index_en.htm**

With all this recent talk of the European Union, it's hard to believe that the ball started rolling shortly after World War II with a speech from none other than Winston Churchill. This site opens with a list of links from 1946 to the current year. Each link points to a page that describes significant events and documents that fueled the establishment and growth of the European Union. Content doesn't go into much depth, but this provides an excellent overview.

France History1 2 3 4 5
▲**www.justfrance.org/france/france-history.asp**

This France Travel guide provides an excellent, though somewhat brief, overview of the history of France, beginning with Early Civilizations and leading up to Chirac's Presidency. Each period in France's history is followed by a short introduction. You can then click the period link for a more detailed article.

Germany History

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www.germany.info/relaunch/culture/history/history.html

From the German Embassy in Washington, D.C. comes this synopsis of the history of Germany. Site organizes its content in five main areas: Milestones in History (a timeline from Charlemagne to the present), History Overview, History Features (including Prussia, the German revolution, the Berlin airlift, and the Marshall Plan), German Unification, and Links (under construction). Site also covers geography, economy, population, politics, culture, social system, and higher education.

The Holocaust Chronicle

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www.holocaustchronicle.org

Free online edition of the book *The Holocaust Chronicle*, this site opens with a clickable timeline of the Holocaust so you can move from one year to the next—1933 to 1946, when the world finally began to seek justice for those persecuted by the Nazis.

Italy History

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www.arcaini.com/ITALY/ItalyHistory/ItalyHistory.html

This site features an excellent introduction to the history of Italy. It begins with a brief history of where Italy got its name, proceeds to early Italy and the Bronze Age, and finishes with a discussion of postwar Italy—Italy after WWII.

Periodical Historical Atlas

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www.euratlas.com/summary.htm

Here, you can view 21 maps of Europe to obtain a pictorial of how Europe has changed over the years politically and geographically.

Spanish History

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www.donquijote.org/culture/spain/history

Don Quijote, a company that organizes Spanish language learning trips to Spanish-speaking countries, has an area on its site that provides an excellent overview of the history of Spain from before the Roman Conquest up to the point when Spain embraced democracy.

MEXICO

Ancient Mexico

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www.ancientmexico.com

Ancient Mexico presents an interactive guide to the history of Mexico from prehistoric times to 1500 A.D. This site features a clickable map, where you can explore the main cities and settlements of ancient Mexico; a timeline for various areas in Mexico, including Central Mexico, Oaxaca, the Gulf Coast, Western Mexico, the Mayan Highlands-Pacific Coast, and the Mayan Lowlands; information on the gods and myths of ancient Mexico; and a small collection of historical documents.

History Channel: The History of Mexico

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www.historychannel.com/exhibits/mexico

This site, from the History Channel, covers the history of Mexico from prehistoric times up to about the year 2003. The opening page displays a list of periods and additional topics you can click to jump to the desired content: Ancient Civilization, Colonial Mexico, Mexico at War, Cinco de Mayo, Political Upheaval, Mexico Facts, Maps, Resources, and an online store. Unlike other History Channel presentations, this one includes few photos or video clips. The maps are excellent, but don't expect a huge collection of graphics.

History, Myths, Arts, and Traditions of Mexico

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www.mexconnect.com/mex_/cultureindex.html

Mexico Connect offers this page as an introduction to Mexican history, mythology, art, and culture. The opening page provides links for exploring Mexico's history by using a timeline, a list of the most influential people in Mexico's history, a chronological listing of leaders and presidents, or a month-by-month list of important events that happened in history for each of the 12 months of the year. Scroll down the opening page for gobs of links on ancient Mexico and its mythology, articles on its art, and information on cultures and traditions.

Mexexperience

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www.mexperience.com/history

Mexexperience is a travel guide designed to help visitors plan and enhance their trip to Mexico. This history page presents a clickable timeline that enables you to explore Mexico's history from the Pre-Columbian period (1200 B.C. to 1500 A.D.) up to modern times.

Museum of the History of Mexico

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www.museohistoriamexicana.org.mx

Located in Monterey, Mexico, this museum is dedicated to preserving and promoting the history of Mexico. Visitors to this site can explore the museum's permanent and temporary exhibits, obtain information about the museum including hours and directions, and check out its well-stocked library.

Tip: The content at this site is in Spanish. If you have the Google Toolbar installed, which you can access by going to Google and clicking More, you can right-click the page and click Translate Page into English. This won't translate the buttons, which are actually graphic objects.

Best U.S. Mexican War

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www.pbs.org/kera/usmexicanwar/index.html

PBS presents this site to educate visitors about what happened leading up to, during, and after the U.S. Mexican war. Site features sections on the Prelude to War, the War Years (1846 to 1848), the Aftermath, and Bibliographies of the major players. You can also access an interactive timeline map and special resources to help teachers incorporate this site into their curriculum. The interactive timeline map enables you to explore the history in a geographical context, so you can learn not only what happened but where it happened. The timeline extends way beyond the war years, covering a period from 1519 to 2003. Excellent content accompanied by an outstanding collection of maps and photos. Site is presented in both English and Spanish.

MIDDLE EAST

eHistory: Middle East

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ehistory.osu.edu/middleeast/index.cfm

The Middle East comprises 16 countries in north-east Africa and southwestern Asia. This site opens with a map of the region along with links to the 16 countries. Click a country link to learn more about a specific country and a timeline of important events in the history of that country. Not in-depth, but this provides a good overview and context for additional research.

History of Iran

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www.iranchamber.com/history/historic_periods.php

Excellent collection of articles that collectively paint the picture of Iran history from 2500 B.C. to 1988 A.D. Site also features biographies of key historical figures and personalities. Most articles have accompanying photos that show some of the art, events, and people of the period.

History of Israel and Palestine in Map Form

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www.masada2000.org/historical.html

This site takes an original approach to describing the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Instead of merely presenting a narrative of the political events, this site leads you through the timeline with a series of maps that show the various territories that Israel has claimed over the years. If you're looking for balanced coverage of events, this isn't the site for you—it's biased in favor of the Israelis.

History in the News: The Middle East

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www.albany.edu/history/middle-east

This site takes you on a journey through various websites to explore Middle Eastern history, culture, society, religions, economics, politics, and geography. Links kick you out to other sites where you can investigate specific topics. All links are annotated, helping you decide whether or not a site contains what you need before you decide to visit.

The Middle East: A Century of Conflict

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www.npr.org/news/specials/mideast/history

In 2002, NPR (National Public Radio) News presented "a special series on the roots of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict to bring context and perspective to the story, and to help listeners understand the complex situation in the Mideast, the history, and the consequences of the confrontation." Here, you can access the series online, listen to the actual radio broadcasts, view maps and a timeline of the conflict, access biographies of the most important people in the history of the conflict, read transcripts of the broadcasts, and learn about the strained relations between the Middle East and the West.

Middle East History & Resources

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www.mideastweb.org/history.htm

If you're trying to unravel the mystery of Middle East politics and figure out what all the fighting is about, this site is an excellent place to start. Site

features links you can click to begin exploring the history of the various countries that comprise the Middle East, including Israel and the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, Arabia, Egypt, Iran, and Iraq. Here, you can also find links to bibliographies of the most significant people in the history of the Middle East, a timeline that covers the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, discussion boards, and more. Site also offers a Middle East trivia quiz. The site isn't pretty, and it's tough to navigate and find what you're looking for, but it provides excellent content.

RUSSIA



Alexander Palace Websites

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www.alexanderpalace.org

This site functions as a starting point for explorations of museums, online books and exhibits, and other resources dealing with Russian history. Simply click a link and then follow the trail of links to the desired page. Site features a link to the Alexander Palace Time Machine, "the world's most popular website for Russian and Romanov history": Letters from Tsar Nicholas to His Wife During WWI, the Real Tsarista (an online book by Madame Lily Dehn); Thirteen Years at the Russian Court (a personal account of the last years and death of Tsar Nicholas II); and much more.

The Face of Russia

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www.pbs.org/weta/faceofrussia

In 1998, PBS ran a three-part series called *The Face of Russia*, which attempted to find the answers to several questions: "Who are the Russian people? How have they expressed their character and inner conflicts in their art and culture? And, as Russia's long-awaited democracy develops, how will the Russian people redefine themselves culturally, spiritually, and politically?" At this site, you can still access some of the content presented in the series primarily through its interactive timeline. You can also learn more about the series and its creators and order the videos and the companion book online. A reference area is also available, where you can access a glossary, bibliography, media index, web links, and lesson plans.

History of Russia1 2 3 4 5
▲www.geographia.com/russia/rushis01.htm

This site provides an excellent overview of Russian history, beginning in ancient times and leading up to the Soviet era. When we visited the site, the navigation bar on the left side of the window didn't work. We had to click the links below each article to move on to the next or previous article in the collection.

U.S. Department of State: Russian History1 2 3 4 5
▲www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3183.htm

The U.S. Department of State features this page where you can read a brief overview of Russian history and gather some additional information about Russia, including facts on its government, political conditions, economy, defense, and foreign relations (particularly with the United States).

UNITED STATES**American Memory**1 2 3 4 5
▲memory.loc.gov

The Library of Congress' American Memory provides access to "primary source materials relating to the history and culture of the United States." One hundred collections feature more than seven million artifacts in digital format. You can explore the site by selecting one of the collections, searching for a specific item or topic, or choosing any of several guided lessons. The home page also features a link to learn a historical event that happened on this day. Another link gives you quick access to the site's FAQs list.

CIA History for Kids1 2 3 4 5
▲www.cia.gov/cia/ciakids

Maintained by the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency, this site provides a behind-the-scenes look at the history and development of the CIA. It also provides some fun stuff for kids, including a challenge to break a secret code and solve puzzles.

Eyes of Glory1 2 3 4 5
▲www.eyesofglory.com

This unique history of America focuses on the drive of our multiethnic citizenry to work toward a common goal of forming a great nation. The opening page contains links to family history, Jewish history, black history, and artifacts.

TheHistoryNet1 2 3 4 5
▲www.historynet.com

The Weider History Group, the world's largest publisher of history magazines, created and maintains this site, which offers a huge collection of informative articles on a broad range of historical topics. Site features content from all ten of the Weider History Group's magazines: America's Civil War, American History, Aviation History, British Heritage, Civil War Times, Military History, MHQ, Vietnam, Wild West, and World War II. Site also features a Daily Quiz, Picture of the Day, and a Today in History list of historical events. Discussion forums are also available.

**Outline of U.S. History**1 2 3 4 5
▲usinfo.state.gov/products/pubs/histriotln/index.htm

Online book from the federal government that covers U.S. history from the height of the Ice Age to the beginning of George W. Bush's second term. The navigation bar that runs down the left side of the page provides quick access to all 15 chapters of the book, a bibliography, and a picture profile. For students of U.S. history, this book provides an excellent overview and establishes a solid base for future research.

National Security Archive1 2 3 4 5
▲www.gwu.edu/~nsarchiv

For those interested in the history of U.S. foreign policy, this site provides a gold mine of declassified National Security documents—more than 2 million pages in more than 200 collections.

National Trust for Historic Preservation

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www.nationaltrust.org

Opportunities to learn about the latest preservation issues. This site lists the 11 most endangered historical sites and offers you a way to help preserve these sites through your donation. Information is also available on how to make a positive impact by doing more than just providing a donation of money.

Smithsonian National Museum of American History

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americanhistory.si.edu

The National Museum of American History is part of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C. Here, you can check out many of the museum's most popular exhibits online, including the history of the presidency and the *Star Spangled Banner*; visit the music room, to learn about musical performances at the museum; and check out the timeline of United States history.

USHistory.org

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www.ushistory.org

Created and hosted by the Independence Hall Association in Philadelphia, this site presents U.S. history in the context of this former United States capitol. Here, you can learn about Philly's most beloved son, Benjamin Franklin, discover the history of the flag and read about Betsy Ross, explore the history of the Liberty Bell, visit Valley Forge online, and much more. If you can't quite make it to Philadelphia to see the sites up close, this is the next best thing to being there. And if you can make it to Philly, this site can help enhance your trip.

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Encyclopedia of World History

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www.bartleby.com/67

Online version of the *Encyclopedia of World History*. The opening page displays a clickable table of contents you can use to navigate through the book. Site also features links to maps and genealogical tables included in the book.

History of the World Timeline

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www.historychannel.com/timeline

The History Channel's timeline of world history covers the history of the world from 500 B.C. to the present. To begin your journey back in time, click Select a Century (you may have to click it twice), and then click the desired time period. The timeline displays a list of the most significant events or people in that period complete with a description of each event or person. Site also features a link for accessing an excellent collection of history maps.

 **HistoryWorld**

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www.historyworld.net

This database contains 400 interconnecting narratives and 6,000 selected events (amounting in all to more than a million words) and was created and written by Bamber Gascoigne. The opening page provides you with several options for navigating the content at this site. You can check out the 400 histories, which are arranged alphabetically; take a tour through time; select What Where When to search for content by specifying a person or event, a place, and a time; peruse a collection of timelines or create your own; or explore a collection of special articles by region, category, or contributor. Site also features a link to the OCEAN (One-Click Edited-Access Network) of additional historic sites on the Web and an online Whizzard Quiz.

HyperHistory

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www.hyperhistory.com/online_n2/History_n2/a.html

Comprehensive guide to the past 3,000 years of world history, this ever-growing tome attempts to provide a balanced view of history, covering not only wars and political events, but also scientific, cultural, and religious facets. A 116-chapter book by Frank A. Smitha provides a more cohesive view of world history. Timelines help you navigate the content at this site, but with so much time to cover, they feel a little cramped.

Related Site

www.hyperhistory.com

World History Archives

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www.hartford-hwp.com/archives/index.html

The World History Archives is a huge collection of “documents to support the study of world history from a working-class and non-Eurocentric perspective.” The opening page displays a collection of links grouped into the following categories: The World, The Americas, Asia and Oceania, Africa, and Europe. Click a link and then follow the trail of links to the desired article. The source of each link is cited, but links are not accompanied by any extensive annotations.