The Newseum’s Guide to Online Teacher Resources
Tips and Tools for Teaching Journalism, the First Amendment and Headlines of History

JOURNALISM

Tools for Student Journalists and Advisers

- My High School Journalism
  - http://my.hsj.org/
  - School newspaper hosting service from the American Society of News Editors – supplies storage and software for school newspapers to develop websites with stories, photos, podcasts, video, etc.

- High School Journalism
  - http://www.hsj.org/
  - All-encompassing scholastic journalism site for students and teachers/advisers

- Poynter Online
  - http://www.poynter.org/
  - A great place for overall discussion on what's going on in the media world – media analysis, weekly columns on ethics and news judgment, etc.

- Poynter Online, “Covering the Economy”
  - A collection of online resources for journalists, educators and students to aid in understanding and writing about economic issues

- Press Ahead! A Teacher's Guide to Creating Student Newspapers
  - http://www.naafoundation.org/docs/Foundation/teacher%27s_guide-4color.pdf
  - The Newspaper Association of America Foundation’s guide for teachers interested in starting up a school newspaper – all the basics you need to get started in one publication

- High School Broadcast Journalism Project
  - Classroom lesson plans and online courses to help teachers incorporate multimedia journalism projects into their curricula

- Journalist’s Toolbox, Presented by the Society of Professional Journalists
  - http://www.journaliststoolbox.org/
  - Curated links to a wealth of tools, from tips for searching public records to free multimedia software to helpful grammar websites
Media Ethics Resources

- Poynter Online Media Ethics Bibliography
  - http://www.poynter.org/content/content_view.asp?id=1208
  - Dozens of print resources for finding modern ethics guidelines

- iMediaEthics: Art Science Research Laboratory’s Media Ethics Project
  - http://www.imediaethics.org/
  - Aims to hold media accountable by examining concrete, measurable errors of fact and ethical breaches – great source for examples and talking points

- Indiana University School of Journalism – Ethics Cases Online
  - http://journalism.indiana.edu/resources/ethics/
  - A library of ethics case studies organized by topic (“Controversial photos,” “Handling sources,” “Covering politics,” “Invading privacy,” etc.)

- American Society of News Editors
  - http://asne.org/
  - Find a compilation of journalism codes of ethics under Key Initiatives, Ethics Codes

- PolitiFact.com and FactCheck.org
  - http://www.politifact.com/
  - http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/fact-checker
  - http://factcheck.org/
  - Websites devoted to separating fact from fiction in news reports and politicians’ statements

Media Literacy

- FactCheckEd.org
  - http://factchecked.org/
  - “Our aim is to help [students] learn to be smart consumers of information, not to accept it at face value; to dig for facts using the Internet, not to stop looking once they get to Wikipedia; and to weigh evidence logically, not to draw conclusions based on their own biases.”

- Center for Media Literacy
  - http://www.medialit.org/
  - Articles, research, and extensive lesson plans including a comprehensive media literacy curriculum (“The MediaLit Kit”)

- Snopes
  - http://snopes.com/
  - Devoted to debunking urban legends and Internet rumors

- Digital Natives (Produced by the Berkman Center for Internet and Society, Youth and Media Project)
  - http://cyber.law.harvard.edu/research/youthandmedia/digitalnatives
- Articles, videos and podcasts about the effects of growing up in the age of the Internet

- **Cool Tools for Schools**
  - [http://cooltoolsforschools.wikispaces.com/Home](http://cooltoolsforschools.wikispaces.com/Home)
  - A massive collection of links to online tools for students, grouped by categories such as “Video Tools,” “Mapping Tools,” “Quiz and Poll Tools,” etc.

- **Connections**
  - Current and back issues of the Consortium for Media Literacy’s newsletter, containing information about media literacy education along with classroom ideas and lesson plans

- **Project Look Sharp**
  - [http://www.ithaca.edu/looksharp/](http://www.ithaca.edu/looksharp/)
  - A cross-disciplinary media literacy curriculum produced by Ithaca College, organized by the following categories: U.S. History, Global Studies, Science and Environment, Health, Psychology and Aging Studies, and General Media Literacy

**Creating Media**

- **Prezi**
  - [http://www.prezi.com](http://www.prezi.com)
  - An online presentation-building software – allows for easy collaboration and sharing; allows for highly polished finished products

- **the.News**
  - [http://www.pbs.org/newshour/thenews/](http://www.pbs.org/newshour/thenews/)
  - [http://pbs.realitydigital.net/remixer.aspx](http://pbs.realitydigital.net/remixer.aspx)
  - YOU.edit application lets students create their own video news reports, complete with graphic effects and soundtracks

- **TeacherTube**
  - An online video sharing site designed for educational use

- **EduBlogs**
  - [http://edublogs.org/](http://edublogs.org/)
  - Blog templates/tools specifically designed for use by students and teachers

- **Wordle**
  - [http://www.wordle.net/](http://www.wordle.net/)
  - A simple tool for creating “word clouds” from a passage of text

- **VoiceThread**
Post media, then invite students to interact/comment using webcams/microphones and an on-screen drawing tool

**Current Events**

- **NewsHour Extra: Teacher Center**
  - Daily video clips, news stories, and lesson plans built around current events topics

- **the.News**
  - [http://www.pbs.org/newshour/thenews/](http://www.pbs.org/newshour/thenews/)
  - A PBS NewsHour project: “a place for teens to find out about people, places and things close to home and around the world”; the YOU.edit application lets students create their own video news reports, complete with graphic effects and soundtracks

- **The Learning Network: Teaching and Learning with *The New York Times***
  - Discussion questions for current news stories, news quizzes, student opinion polls and lesson plans

- **CNN Student News**
  - A daily 10-minute news broadcast for middle and high school students accompanied by daily discussion questions and activities, plus downloadable maps and other resources to enrich news stories

- **TIME for Kids**
  - The online version of the weekly TIME news magazine for elementary students; includes Spanish-language versions, enrichment worksheets and comprehension quizzes for many articles

- **Newseum: Today’s Front Pages**
  - [http://www.newseum.org/todaysfrontpages/default.asp](http://www.newseum.org/todaysfrontpages/default.asp)
  - Over 700 front pages from around the world, uploaded every day as downloadable PDFs; plus a lesson plan for utilizing the pages and a poster diagramming the parts of a front page
  - Parts of a front page poster: [http://newseum.org/education/teacher-resources/lesson-plans/front-page-poster.pdf](http://newseum.org/education/teacher-resources/lesson-plans/front-page-poster.pdf)

**Political Cartoons**
• Thomas Nast Political Cartoons
  • http://cartoons.osu.edu/nast/
  • Selected cartoons by the “Father of American Caricature” with background/interpretation (19th century)

• Political Cartoons by Dr. Seuss
  • http://www.pbs.org/independentlens/politicaldrseuss/gallery.html
  • A collection of cartoons from the author’s time as an editorial cartoonist, during World War II

• FDR Cartoon Archive
  • http://www.nisk.k12.ny.us/fdr/index.html
  • Cartoons about President Franklin D. Roosevelt – grouped by topic (20th century, 1930s-40s)

• World War I Political Cartoons
  • http://rutlandhs.k12.vt.us/jpeterso/ubootcar.htm
  • A handful of World War I-era cartoons with interpretation and comprehension or discussion questions

• Daryl Cagle Professional Cartoonists Index
  • http://www.cagle.com/
  • Daily political cartoons from the nation’s top editorial cartoonists

• United Feature Syndicate: Editorial Cartoons
  • http://www.universaluclick.com/editorial
  • Recent cartoons by several nationally-syndicated cartoonists

THE FIRST AMENDMENT

• First Amendment Center
  • http://www.firstamendmentcenter.org/
  • Comprehensive background information about key First Amendment issues and topics, daily First Amendment headlines, commentary and analyses, legal cases and lesson plans

• The Bill of Rights Institute
  • http://billofrightsinstitute.org/resources/
  • Interactive activities, background information and summaries of key Bill of Rights Supreme Court cases; “America’s Founders Online” multi-media profiles of 12 founding fathers

• Constitution Center
  • http://www.constitutioncenter.org/ncc_edu_Educators.aspx
  • Print and online activities, plus resources for teaching about current Constitutional issues
- Channel One – Five Freedoms
  - http://www.channelone.com/five-freedoms/
  - Videos, quizzes, lesson plans

HEADLINES OF HISTORY

General

- Chronicling America: Historic American newspapers
  - http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/
  - A searchable digitized library of newspapers from 1836-1922 and directory of newspapers published 1690-present; groups of pre-selected pages on dozens of historical events/topics

- Wikipedia: List of Online Newspaper Archives
  - User-created site with links to online newspaper archives for dozens of papers around the world, including notation of years covered and which are free to access

- Library of Congress Prints and Photographs Online Catalog
  - http://www.loc.gov/pictures/
  - Online access to roughly 75% of the Library of Congress’ Prints and Photographs Division; searchable and organized in themed collections

- New York Public Library Digital Gallery
  - http://digitalgallery.nypl.org/nypldigital/index.cfm
  - Over 700,000 images from the library’s collections, including maps, posters, photographs, etc.

- Vanderbilt Television News Archive
  - http://tvnews.vanderbilt.edu/
  - Abstracts describing all the stories on the nightly news broadcasts of the three major networks (NBC, CBS, ABC) from 1968 to today

- The National Archives: Online Public Access
  - http://www.archives.gov/research/search/
  - From the federal government’s record keeping agency, this database is an excellent research tool for primary sources and photos

The Colonial and Revolutionary Period
• Archives of Maryland Online: Maryland Gazette Collection (1728-1839)
  A near-complete digitized collection of The Maryland Gazette

• North Carolina Newspaper Digitization Project
  http://www.archives.ncdcr.gov/newspaper/included.html
  Over 20,000 digitized newspaper pages from North Carolina newspapers dating from 1751-1890

• Colonial Williamsburg Journal: Early American Newspapering
  http://www.history.org/foundation/journal/spring03/journalism.cfm
  An overview of newspapers in Colonial America, including some sample images

• Readex: Early American Newspapers, Series 1, 1690-1876
  http://www.newsbank.com/readex/product.cfm?product=10
  A paid service – worth checking to see if your school or local university library has a subscription

• National Archives: Military Resources
  Documents, maps, and images relating to the Revolutionary War, and links to other resources

The Civil War

• Library of Congress American Memory Project: Selected Civil War Photographs
  http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/cwphtml/cwphome.html
  Over 1,000 images of enlisted men, camps, battlefields, etc.; most created under the supervision of Matthew Brady

• The Civil War
  http://www.sonofthesouth.net/
  Over 7,000 primary sources, including a complete collection of Harper’s Weekly illustrated newspaper from 1861-1865 (note: site is managed by a civil war buff, not an academic, but it is the most extensive free archive available online)

• War Stories: War Reporting and Technology
  http://www.newseum.org/warstories/technology/flash.htm
  Online Newseum exhibit that covers technological developments that affected coverage of conflicts from the Civil War through the 1990s

The Women’s Suffrage Movement

• The Revolution (Susan B. Anthony, Parker Pillsbury, Elizabeth Cady Stanton)
  http://www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/civilwar/cwdoc092.html
An example of a newspaper published by Anthony, Pillsbury and Stanton to promote the suffrage cause and draw attention to other women's issues

**The Torch Bearer: A Look Forward and Back at The Woman’s Journal, the Organ of the Woman’s Movement (published 1916, available on Google Books)**

http://books.google.com/books?id=cB0EAAAAYAAJ&ots=QLWLc1w9G&dq=the%20torchbearer%20%20look%20forward%20and%20back&pg=PA7#v=onepage&q&f=false

Excerpts from the magazine founded by suffrage activist Alice Stone Blackwell

**Index to The Woman Citizen (1921-1922, available on Google Books)**

http://books.google.com/books?id=IohLAAAAYAAJ&ots=j11zQlvfn&dq=%22the%20woman's%20journal%22&pg=PP5#v=onepage&q&f=false

An indexed collection of one year of issues of the magazine that superseded The Woman’s Journal (post-passage of the 19th Amendment)

**Library of Congress Women’s Suffrage Collection**

http://www.loc.gov/teachers/classroommaterials/primarysourcesets/womens-suffrage/

http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/vfwhome.html

Primary sources with accompanying lesson plans and a collection of photographs

### The Great Depression

**EdTechTeacher — Best of History Web Sites, The Great Depression**

http://www.besthistorysites.net/index.php/american-history/1900/great-depression

A listing of sites recommended and rated by other teachers

**America in the 1930s**

http://xroads.virginia.edu/~1930s/front.html

A project of the University of Virginia American Studies department — a multimedia approach to understanding "a decade of unparalleled contradiction and complexity"; collection includes samples of many periodicals from the Depression era, including *Fortune Magazine*, *The New Yorker* and the *Saturday Evening Post*

**Nebraska Partnership for American History Education, The Great Depression and the New Deal Image Resources**

http://cehs.unl.edu/ushistory/online/depression/images.html

A list of sites with photographs, political cartoons, maps, etc. from the 1930s

**Farm Security Administration-Office of War Information Photograph Collection**

http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/fsowhome.html

A project of the Library of Congress — an online collection of government-contracted photos from the 1930s

### The Press and the Presidency
• The Living Room Candidate
  http://www.livingroomcandidate.org/
  A vast collection of presidential campaign ads from 1952 to the present

• The American Presidency Project
  http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/
  A collection of over 90,000 documents (presidential speeches, memos, data, etc.) related to the study of the U.S. presidency from George Washington to the present

The Civil Rights Movement

• MLK Research and Education Institute
  http://mlk-kpp01.stanford.edu/
  A collection of King’s papers; lesson plans (Liberation Curriculum) covering youth’s role in the civil rights movement, the Birmingham bus boycott, connections between civil rights and human rights, etc.

• Teacher’s Domain – Civil Rights Special Collection
  http://www.teachersdomain.org/special/civil/
  Photos, interviews, videos and background information on civil rights topics, searchable and organized thematically

• EdTechTeacher — Best of History Web Sites, The Civil Rights Movement
  http://www.besthistorysites.net/USHistory_CivilRights.shtml
  A listing of sites recommended and rated by other teachers

• Southern Poverty Law Center
  http://www.tolerance.org/
  Lesson plans and resources including free kits, films and magazine subscriptions for educators

• History Beat — Civil Rights
  http://civilrights.historybeat.com/gn_civilrights.php
  Newspaper front pages documenting the civil rights movement, primary source interviews, black history document archive

• Birmingham Civil Rights Institute
  http://www.bcri.org/index.html
  Videos, documents, and oral histories about the civil rights movement

The Cold War

• EdTechTeacher — Best of History Web Sites, The Cold War Era
  http://www.besthistorysites.net/index.php/american-history/1900/cold-war-era
• A listing of Cold War sites recommended and rated by other teachers

• **The Cold War Museum**
  • [http://www.coldwar.org/](http://www.coldwar.org/)
  • A detailed timeline of events and interactive activities

• **Documents Relating to American Foreign Policy – The Cold War**
  • [https://www.mtholyoke.edu/acad/intrel/coldwar.htm](https://www.mtholyoke.edu/acad/intrel/coldwar.htm)
  • Provided by Mount Holyoke College, primary sources related to the Cold War

• **The Truman Library: Ideological Foundations of the Cold War**
  • [http://www.trumanlibrary.org/whistlestop/study_collections/coldwar/](http://www.trumanlibrary.org/whistlestop/study_collections/coldwar/)
  • Summaries, oral histories, and lesson plans for the origins of the Cold War

• **BBC History – Cold War**
  • [http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/worldwars/coldwar/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/worldwars/coldwar/)
  • An international perspective, summaries of different periods of the conflict