

# ELEMENTARY SOCIAL STUDIES NEWSLETTER

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## FEBRUARY SOCIAL STUDIES IDEAS

Remember to take some time to honor some of the Black Heroes this month for Black History Month. Here are some other anniversaries to remember

**Feb 1** National Freedom Day

**Feb 3** The 15th Amendment was ratified in 1870

**Feb 10** Treaty of Paris signed ending the French and Indian War in 1763

**Feb 11** Sacagawea joined the Lewis and Clark Expedition 220 years ago.

**Feb 19** In 1898 the USS Maine exploded in Havana Harbor leading to the Spanish American War.

**Feb 23** 80 years ago on this day the iconic photo of the Battle of Iwo Jima was taken. The National Marine Memorial in Arlington Cemetery is patterned after this photo.



## DRAWING: WIN A SOCIAL STUDIES PICTURE BOOK

Each month I will hold a drawing to win one of the picture books that are mentioned in the lesson ideas in this newsletter. Make sure to sign up so that you can have a new book to add to your classroom library and use for a social studies lesson! Last months winners:

Maryann Mumford at Herriman

Michelle Lundgren at Hayden Peak

Sign up here: [Drawing Form](#)

# INFORMATIONAL TEXTS

## Past Informational Texts

### **1st Grade: National Freedom Day**

The new standards asks teachers to teach about different celebrations in the USA. National Freedom Day is on February 1. It is 380 Lexile.

#### **National Freedom Day**



### **2nd Grade: Sacagawea**

The new Utah Social Studies Standards ask us to teach about different historical people. This month is the anniversary of her joining the Lewis and Clark Expedition. This reading is 390 Lexile.

#### **Sacagawea**

### **3rd Grade: Cuba**

The new social studies curriculum asks us to teach about different countries. This country has some unique culture characteristics that would be fun for students to learn about. This reading is 480 Lexile.

#### **Cuba**

### **4th Grade: Utah's State Symbols**

The new standards has some objective focused on the symbols of Utah, This reading can provide a brief overview of s a few of the symbols. This reading is 720 Lexile.

#### **Utah's State Symbols**

### **5th Grade: The Lewis and Clark Expedition**

This month is the anniversary of Sacagawea joining the Lewis and Clark Expedition. This passage can be a quick way to get some social studies instruction into your day. This reading is 890 Lexile.

#### **Lewis and Clark Expedition**

### **6th Grade: Iwo Jima**

This month is the anniversary of the iconic photo being taken at the Battle of Iwo Jima. This text has a 1050 Lexile.

#### **Battle of Iwo Jima**



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# Pacing Guide

This year the new elementary social studies standards should be implemented. Here are the Jordan District Scope and Sequence for each grade level. There are several lessons that are tied to Witt and Wisdom for most grade and there will be more added throughout the year. These will guide you throughout the year.

[Kindergarten Pacing Guide](#)

[1st Grade Pacing Guide](#)

[2nd Grade Pacing Guide](#)

[3rd Grade Pacing Guide](#)

[4th Grade Pacing Guide](#)

[5th Grade Pacing Guide](#)

[6th Grade Pacing Guide](#)

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