



# SPARCC Technology Integration Updates

## Social Studies

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### General

- **Threads** - [Resource Link](#) - Connect with educators on the new social media platform from Instagram.
- **ISTE Google Updates** - [Resource Link](#) - 16 updates and new features for Google for Education announced at the 2023 ISTE Conference.
- **Chrome Extensions** - [Resource Link](#) - Finding, installing, pinning, using, and managing extensions, and a list of 150+ recommended extensions.
- **AI Guidelines** - [Resource Link](#) - 10 questions to answer to help develop AI guidelines for your class.

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### General

- **QuestionWell** - [Resource Link](#) - Free tool to create AI-generate multiple-choice questions from a text.
- **Schoologytics** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive data dashboard tool for Google Classroom. Free version lets teachers connect up to 10 of their classes and get detailed reports
- **FigJam** - [Resource Link](#) - Online diagramming tool that is free for schools.
- **Google Bard Overview for Educators** - [Resource Link](#) - 10-minute video on how to access Google's new AI chatbot called Bard, how to use Bard, and examples for how Bard can be used in education.

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- **The Achievery** - [Resource Link](#) - Clips from popular movies, TV shows, and cartoons from Warner Bros. and Cartoon Network, paired with lessons and learning activities.
- **Wordwall** - [Resource Link](#) - Create 18 types of custom interactive activities for your students for free, and use any of the 54 million+ activities already created.
- **Neal Fun** - [Resource Link](#) - Large collection of interactive web tools and games exploring concepts in science, social studies, economics, math, history, philosophy, and more.
- **Making and Taking Tours with Google Earth** - [Resource Link](#) - In this 45-minute recorded webinar we explore how you and your students can create virtual tours with Google Earth.

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- **Taboo AI** - [Resource Link](#) - Play the Taboo word guessing game with an AI. Great for content knowledge, as well as vocabulary skills.
- **Scribble Diffusion** - [Resource Link](#) - Free AI-powered web app that lets you draw a rough sketch and add a text prompt, to bring your doodles to life.
- **Curipod** - [Resource Link](#) - Create interactive lessons with content and question types including poll, word cloud, drawing, and open question. Create your own lesson, or use AI to generate individual activities or an entire lesson.
- **Stickity** - [Resource Link](#) - Free add-on for Google Docs and Slides that lets you add digital stickers from a large collection including Expectations, Content Support, Feedback, Buttons, Steps & Levels, Timers, Borders, Attention Getters, and Fun & Games.
- **Google Sheets for Educators** - [Resource Link](#) - 50-minute training on "Google Sheets for Educators" covering topics including view options, freezing rows and columns, sorting data, filtering data, formulas, charts and graphs, sparklines, conditional formatting, and even pivot tables.
- **What's New in Google - March 2023** - [Resource Link](#) - For an easy way to catch up on everything new in Google for Education from the last month, check out the recorded video, detailed agenda, and all the links from the GEG-Ohio March 2023 Meeting.

## February 2023

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- **Untold** - [Resource Link](#) - Untold is a free collection of short, compelling videos that bring American history to life through the examination and exploration of people, politics, objects, the arts and more.

### General

- **Online Puzzlemaker** - [Resource Link](#) - Free puzzle generation tool for word search, criss-cross, math puzzles, and more, using your own word lists.
- **Conker** - [Resource Link](#) - AI tool for generating Google Forms quizzes from a topic or your own source material.
- **Giant Steps** - [Resource Link](#) - Free gamified practice tool from the makers of Pear Deck with independent practice and collaborative games.
- **Free Media Resources** - [Resource Link](#) - 50+ sites with free media resources for projects including photos, clipart, icons, GIFs, fonts, sound effects, music, videos, and design templates.

## January 2023

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- **Dollar Street** - [Resource Link](#) - Dollar Street is a website with over 30,000 photos and 10,000 videos from more than 200 homes in about 50 countries to help everyone understand how people really live, beyond the stereotypes and clichés.
- **Teachflix** - [Resource Link](#) - Collection of vetted educational videos for use with your students, with categories including math, music and art, science, history, English language arts, physical education, read alouds, computer science, SEL, world language, virtual field trips, digital citizenship, and more.
- **WordsTool** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online tool to create and share vocabulary exercises with students.
- **History Maps** - [Resource Link](#) - Free website that illustrates the history of the world with animated maps, pictures, videos, and detailed explanations.

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- **Infinity Whiteboard** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online whiteboard with no login required. Share with others to collaborate with a simple code. Add PDFs or images to annotate on top of.
- **Chat Animator** - [Resource Link](#) - Create realistic fake text chat animations that simulate messaging apps. Great for stories, explaining a concept, having characters or historical figures chat.
- **KeepTheScore** - [Resource Link](#) - Online tool to track points for class leaderboards, activities, competitions, goals, teams, sports, and more. Free version for up to 50 players, unlimited boards, CSV download.

## December 2022

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- **Felt** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online tool for creating and sharing maps with loads of useful features including pins, routes, markers, clipping, data layers, polygons, text, notes, links, images, videos, sharing, and more. Lots of great ways for students to use this to create maps and show their understanding of content.
- **Metroverse** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive site from Harvard to visualize economic data and learn about cities.
- **Teaching with the News** - [Resource Link](#) - Free lessons from Brown University to connect your classroom to headlines in the news.

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- **Beep** - [Resource Link](#) - Free Chrome extension for teachers and students to record and leave voice notes in Google Docs, Slides, Forms, Sheets, Classroom, and Gmail. Unlimited number of recordings for up to 3 minutes each.
- **ClipChamp** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online video editor that includes: Unlimited watermark-free exports, Up to 1080p(HD) export resolution, Free audio, image, & video stock, Free filters & effects, Import media from Google Drive, Google Photos, local drive, and more, Record media with camera and/or screen recording, Works on Chromebooks, Windows, and Mac.
- **Yippity** - [Resource Link](#) - Yippity is a free online tool that uses AI to help you study. Enter the text or web link for your study material. The AI will create a list of questions and answers from the text. You can now quiz yourself to see how well you know the content.

- **Font Space** - [Resource Link](#) - Over 100,000 free fonts to use for any of your projects. Search through the fonts, or browse by style and collections. Choose a font, type in your text, and download the image or simply copy and paste it into your Google project.
- **Google Chrome video series** - [Resource Link](#) - New collection of 12 short tutorial videos on tips and tricks to get the most out of your use of the Google Chrome web browser.

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- **Geoquiz History Edition** - [Resource Link](#) - Online game where you place a marker on the map to guess the location provided. In "War Battle" mode, find locations of battles throughout history. In "Heritage" mode, find historically significant places.
- **MapChart** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online tool to make a map of the World, Europe, United States, and more, color code countries or states on the map, fill in the legend and download as an image file.
- **New Google Sheets Timeline Creator** - [Resource Link](#) - Students can now create and share interactive timelines right in Google Sheets that include titles, descriptions, dates, links, colors, groups and more.
- **GZM Classroom** - [Resource Link](#) - Free serialized audio dramas and other shows, aimed at middle grade students, with teacher resources including listening guides, explore board, and choice boards

### General

- **Unhook** - [Resource link](#) - Free Chrome extension to clean up YouTube by removing distractions including video sidebar, recommended videos, live chat, playlist, end screen video suggestions, user comments, video info, autoplay, annotations, and more.
- **"What I Am Thankful For" Turkey** - [Resource Link](#) - Google Slides template for students to create a digital turkey showing what they are grateful for.
- **Image Candy** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online image editing tools including Background remover, Meme generator, Crop image, Rotate image, Add text, Video to GIF, and more!
- **Pine Tools** - [Resource Link](#) - Great collection of useful free online tools for images, texts, lists, numbers, dates and times, colors, files, math, randomness, videos, and more.
- **Bouncy Balls** - [Resource Link](#) - Monitor noise level in classroom, adjust the sensitivity & quantity of balls, choose theme (plastic, emoji, numbers, bubbles, or eyeballs).
- **TextGiraffe** - [Resource Link](#) - This free website lets you create text graphics & logos in 100's of styles from whatever text you type in. You can download the final result as a PNG image in five sizes from micro to extra large.

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- **Smithsonian Learning Lab** - [Resource Link](#) - Free, interactive platform for teachers and students with over 6 million authentic digital resources for social studies, language arts, science, math, arts, and more.
- **Timeline Tools** - [Resource Link](#) - Details on eight online tools for creating and publishing timelines.
- **Consensus** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online search tool that uses AI to analyze your research question and return key findings from hundreds of millions of peer-reviewed scientific papers.
- **Mapping History** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive animated maps covering American History, European History, Latin American History, and African History.

- **The Daily Herald Archive** - [Resource Link](#) - Google Arts & Culture hub with more than 70,000 digitized artifacts from Britain's Daily Herald documenting the 1910's through 1960's.
- **Educational YouTube channels** - [Google Doc version](#), [website version](#) - Very large list of educational channels for science, math, social studies, coding, music, and more.
- **Illustrate to Educate** - [Resource Link](#) - YouTube channel with lots of short, illustrated whiteboard videos on a wide range of educational topics including social studies, science, finance, current events, technology, and more.

## General

- **Instagram Template** - [Resource Link](#) - Free Google Slides template to mimic Instagram posts, including 6 different layouts, along with directions.
- **Msgif** - [Resource Link](#) - Msgif is a GIF generator that converts a message you type into a GIF animation. Once you download it you can share it on social media, chat apps or wherever you want.
- **DrawKit** - [Resource Link](#) - Hand-drawn illustrations and icon resources for use in any project, including a large collection of free images.
- **AnswerGarden** - [Resource Link](#) - Free interactive feedback tool where you post a topic, students submit answers, and their responses form a growing word cloud. Includes settings for session management.
- **Mixkit** - [Resource Link](#) - Free stock videos, stock music, and sound effects to download and use in any project with no attribution or sign-up required.
- **Cloud Audio Recorder** - [Resource Link](#) - Free unlimited online audio and voice recorder that can capture any sound from your computer microphone and save it to your computer or your Google Drive.
- **CocoMaterial** - [Resource Link](#) - Thousands of free hand-drawn illustrations covering a wide range of topics for use in any of your projects.

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- **Google Dataset Search** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Dataset Search is a search engine for datasets. Using a simple keyword search, users can discover almost 25 million datasets hosted in thousands of repositories across the Web, on nearly any subject that interests you.
- **Google Expeditions** - [Resource Link](#) - Although Expeditions is no longer a VR experience, hundreds of these virtual tours are now available as interactive virtual field trips in Google Arts and Culture, with content for any subject area.
- **Anyplace America** - [Resource Link](#) - Topographic maps and photos of over 1.25 million water, land and man-made landmarks in the United States.
- **Newspaper Clipping Generator** - [Resource Link](#) - Create a custom newspaper clipping by entering the name of your paper, date, headline, and body of the story, then download the generated image to use.
- **Map Breakout** - [Resource Link](#) - Learn the countries of the world while playing breakout! The "a" and "d" keys move your paddle left and right. Refresh the page to start over.
- **Historical Photo Sources** - [Resource Link](#) - A collection of online repositories of primary source photos for historical and scientific purposes.
  - Getty Images Black History & Culture - [Resource Link](#)
  - Astronomical Photographic Plates - [Resource Link](#)
  - NWT Archives - [Resource Link](#)
  - BYU Library - [Resource Link](#)
  - CURIOUSity Digital Collections - [Resource Link](#)
- **World History Encyclopedia** - [Resource Link](#) - Online collection of thousands of world history resources including articles, videos, maps, primary source materials, quizzes, and more.

- **Akinator** - [Resource Link](#) - Think of a person (real or fictional) or an object or an animal, then the AI will ask you questions about it to try to guess what you chose. Excellent way to test and expand your knowledge on the subject you chose.
- **Descent of the Serpent** - [Resource Link](#) - Online educational game from Google Arts & Culture where you learn about ancient Mesoamerican cultures and face mythological figures who'll test your knowledge collected throughout the adventure.
- **Turtle Diary** - [Resource Link](#) - Free website with 1000+ educational games and learning activities for Pre-K through 5th grade in math, language arts, science, geography, and more.
- **PBS Learning Media** - [Resource Link](#) - Free collection of curated, standards-aligned videos, interactives, lessons plans, and more across all subject areas and grade levels.

## General

- **ClassroomQ** - [Resource Link](#) - Free web tool for schools where students can add their name to a virtual queue to indicate they need help and ask questions, and the teacher can organize and track the student questions.
- **YouTube Can Do That** - [Resource Link](#) - 18 tips and tricks to get the most out of YouTube for you and your students.
- **Creating a Soundboard with Google Slides** - [Resource Link](#) - How to make your own digital soundboard for class using Google Slides and free audio resources.
- **What's New in Google: August 2022** - [Resource Link](#) - All of the updates from the last month for Google Workspace for Education, along with lots of practical ideas on using Google tools in school.
- **Kapwing Pro** - [Resource Link](#) - Kapwing Pro video editor now free for students and educators to create learning opportunities, edit video projects, and collaborate on digital content all in one place.
- **QR Code Monkey** - [Resource Link](#) - Free and easy website to create and download QR Codes for any content, as well as customizing the colors, images, and design.
- **Easy Notecards** - [Resource Link](#) - Create interactive notecards, with the option to link the cards to specific books and chapters that they pertain to.
- **Magic Eraser** - [Resource Link](#) - Remove unwanted items from any image using this AI-powered online photo editor.
- **Background Eraser** - [Resource Link](#) - Remove the background from any image using this AI-powered online photo editor.
- **Flex Cards** - [Resource Link](#) - Flippity has a new Google Sheets template for "Flex Cards" which are flashcards with up to 10 sides.
- **TinyWow** - [Resource Link](#) - Free website with loads of tools for editing and converting PDFs, images, videos, files, and more, as well as background removers, meme makers, QR code generators, and more.
- **Heyzine** - [Resource Link](#) - Create online flipbooks from PDFs with page turn effects, add links, audio, video, forms, and web embeds. Free for up to 5 flipbooks.
- **Font Meme** - [Resource Link](#) - Create text graphics and logos with featured text styles, inspired by current design trends and pop culture.
- **Avatar Maker** - [Resource Link](#) - Free Chrome extension to create a character of yourself (or anyone) by choosing colors, hairstyles, hats, glasses, mouth, eyes, clothes and more.
- **Creator Mix** - [Resource Link](#) - Free background music for YouTube, podcasts, and more.
- **Tide extension** - [Resource link](#) - Chrome extension to help you stay focused with a focus timer, immersive mode, focus stats, and natural ambient sounds.

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- **Museums for Digital Learning** - [Resource Link](#) - MDL offers K-12 educators engaging and authentic curated museum collections and content for the classroom. All MDL content is free to use and share in the classroom.
- **Geo Artwork** - [Resource Link](#) - In this interactive game from Google you try to guess where on a map of the Earth works of art were created.
- **Historic Borders** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive map that allows you to see borders of countries and empires throughout history from 123,000 BC to the present.
- **Chronicling America** - [Resource Link](#) - Access over 3,000 digitized historical newspapers using the interactive map and timeline from the Library of Congress.
- **Point in History** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive map where you can choose any location on Earth and then explore its changing historical boundaries throughout time.
- **Population.IO** - [Resource Link](#) - This interactive site lets you put in your age and country to explore how you fit into the world's population, and compare between different countries and times in history.
- **Notable People** - [Resource Link](#) - This interactive globe lets you zoom into any place on Earth to see notable people who were born there including those from culture, discovery, science, leadership, sports, and more.

## General

- **Strip Background** - [Resource Link](#) - Free website that lets you remove the background from any image, and then optionally replace the background with a solid color or another background image, with no size limitations.
- **No Sign Up Tools** - [Resource Link](#) - Curated collection of web-based products that don't require an account or registration
- **Kassel Labs** - [Resource Link](#) - Create custom intro videos in the style of Star Wars, Stranger Things, Westworld, Game of Thrones, and Breaking Bad.
- **GIFcap** - [Resource Link](#) - Free web-based tool to create animated GIFs from your screen recording.
- **EZGIF** - [Resource Link](#) - This website provides a simple online GIF maker and toolset for basic animated GIF editing. You can create, resize, crop, reverse, optimize, and apply some effects to GIFs.

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## General

- **Jamboard Templates** - [Resource Link](#) - Over 1,300 Jamboard templates organized by subject area, grade level, and topics.
- **Tech With Littles** - [Resource Link](#) - Technology activities and tools for younger students.
- **ScreenPal** - [Resource Link](#) - Free Chrome extension to record a quick video message and insert it into most any text box or comment field online.
- **Chromebooks Can Do That?!** - [Resource Link](#) - Recorded webinar about lesser-known helpful tips, tricks, and tools for getting the most out of your Chromebooks including camera tools, screen capture and recording, multiple desks, offline use, keyboard shortcuts, Android apps, and more.
- **Chromebook Accessibility Tools** - [Resource Link](#) - Recorded webinar about how to use the accessibility tools built right into Chromebooks including features for text to speech, alternative input, readability, navigation, and more.
- **Marvelous Mote Activities for Schools** - [Resource Link](#) - Recorded webinar and resources on using the Mote extension for audio feedback and learning activities.

- **I Love PDF** - [Resource Link](#) - Free collections of online PDF tools to merge, split, compress, convert, rotate, unlock and watermark PDFs with just a few clicks.
- **FlipSimu Dice Roller** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive random dice roller with up to three dice with standard dots, or customizable text or images.
- **Canva Design Skills for Students** - [Resource Link](#) - Free 7-part video series to teach students (or anyone) how to use Canva for creativity and design.
- **Web Apps by 123apps** - [Resource Link](#) - Free collection of online tools for creating, editing, and converting video files, audio files, PDF's, and more.
- **Crowd Buzzer** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Free online tool for interactive game buzzers.
- **VRroom** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Free online tool for teachers to create a safe and controlled VR space for up to 30 students at a time to talk and interact virtually.

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- **OpenHistoricalMap** - [Resource Link](#) - Online interactive map which allows you to find and explore maps of places around the world as they were drawn at specific dates in history.
- **History Podcasts** - [Resource Link](#) - Collection of 25 podcasts related to American history and human history in general.
- **Wiki History Game** - [Resource Link](#) - Online game where you drag events into order on a timeline, with a new event added after each turn.
- **MapPuzzle.xyz** - [Resource Link](#) - Online interactive map game where you drag and drop countries or states onto a world map to fit them into their correct locations like puzzle pieces.
- **Worldle** - [Resource Link](#) - Guess the country based on its outline, with feedback for each guess on how far away you are.
- **Google Fonts for Any Era** - [Resource Link](#) - List of vintage Google Fonts that teachers can use to immerse students in the past.
- **EDSITEment** - [Resource Link](#) - High-quality K-12 humanities education materials in the subject areas of history and social studies, literature and language arts, foreign languages, arts, and culture.
- **World Atlas 2.0** - [Resource Link](#) - Visual representations on a world map of over 2,000 datasets covering people, economy, environment, technology, infrastructure, governance, and more.
- **Mali Magic** - [Resource Link](#) - Google Arts & Culture collection exploring the manuscripts, music, monuments and modern art of Mali.
- **Stash** - [Resource Link](#) - Free immersive banking and investing simulation for students from kindergarten to college to learn financial literacy including budgeting, paying bills, earning an income, saving, investing, and more.

### General

- **Sketchpad** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online drawing tool with a large selection of brushes, stamps, clipart, text tools, and more.
- **Capture My Tweet** - [Resource Link](#) - Turn a tweet into a nice picture for sharing with a large selection of backgrounds and sizes.
- **GifRun** - [Resource Link](#) - Create and download an animated GIF from any spot in a YouTube video for up to 15 seconds, along with custom text.
- **StorySet** - [Resource Link](#) - Free site to customize, animate, and download illustrations as animated GIFs or videos for use in any project.
- **Floop** - [Resource Link](#) - Tool for teacher feedback on student work, guided peer feedback, and guided self-assessment. Free through the end of the 2021-2022 school year.

- **Yellkey** - [Resource Link](#) - Create a temporary shortened URL with a common easy-to-use word that lasts from 5 minutes to 24 hours.
- **EmojiCopy** - [Resource Link](#) - Easy website to search for and copy emojis.
- **StreemTunes** - [Resource Link](#) - Free music in a variety of styles for students, educators, and content creators to use in school projects, presentations, streams, and more.
- **LottieFiles** - [Resource Link](#) - Add-on to add thousands of free GIFs and images to your Google Slides, Docs, and Sheets.
- **What's New in Google: March 2022** - [Resource Link](#) - All of the updates from the last month for Google Workspace for Education, along with lots of practical ideas on using Google tools in school.

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- **Wide Open School: Social Studies** - [Resource Link](#) - Large collection of free, high-quality learning activities across subjects, from preschool to Grade 12.
- **1619 Project** - [Resource Link](#) - Reading guides, activities, and other resources to bring The 1619 Project into your classroom. The project illuminates the legacy of slavery in the contemporary United States, and highlights the contributions of Black Americans to every aspect of American society.
- **Scribble Maps** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Annotate on and share maps with freehand drawing, shapes, multimedia markers, and more, all for free without an account.
- **Open Geography** - [Resource Link](#) - Collection of free, open curriculum and resources for anybody who is interested in our geographic world, including etextbooks, online resources, and more.
- **Histogrammy** - [Resource Link](#), [Video Overview](#) - Interactive timeline that spans across 14 billion years of history, from the Big Bang to 2015, drawing historical events from Wikipedia and self-updating daily with new recorded events.

### General

- **Life Books Thematic Units** - [Resource Link](#) - Cross-curricular, tech-integrated activities for Middle School based on the "Life Books" series.
- **Erase.bg** - [Resource Link](#) - Another website to remove the background from images. The benefit of this site compared to others is the ability to download the new image in high quality for free (up to 5,000x5,000 px)
- **SketchUp for Schools** - [Resource Link](#) - Free web-based 3D modeling tool for schools using Google Workspace for Education. Also includes curriculum and tutorial videos for all subjects.
- **URLEX** - [Resource Link](#) - Find out where a shortened link actually goes before you click on it with this free online URL expander tool.

## November 2021

### Social Studies

- **Virtual Field Trips** - [Resource Link](#) - Collection of 45 of the best websites for taking virtual field trips, with content for many subject areas.
- **Historical Overlay Maps** - [Resource Link](#) - Explore dozens of historical maps from the Rumsey Historical Maps collection overlaid on the modern globe in Google Earth.
- **Indigenous Americas Hub** - [Resource Link](#) - Google Arts & Culture adds new "Indigenous Americas" hub with a growing collection of Indigenous art and culture from across the Americas

- **Native Land Digital** - [Resource Link](#) - Learn about the land you live on by searching this interactive map to explore the native territories, languages, and treaties for any location on the globe.

## General

- **"What I Am Thankful For" Turkey** - [Resource Link](#) - Google Slides template for students to build a turkey where each of the feathers displays things they are thankful for.
- **What's New in Google** - [November 2021](#) - Resource Link - All of the updates from the last month for Google Workspace for Education, along with lots of practical ideas on using Google tools in school.

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- **WorldCover Viewer** - [Resource Link](#) - This interactive map lets you see how land is being used anywhere around the world, with the ability to zoom in on any location, as well as view land use statistics by country or state.
- **Design Your Town** - [Resource Link](#) - Google Slides template where students create a town on a grid. Excellent project for map skills and math coordinates.
- **Unfolding History** - [Resource Link](#) - Blog written by the staff of the Manuscript Division of the Library of Congress to highlight interesting manuscripts and their backstories or greater historical context.

## General

- **Google's Applied Digital Skills** - [Resource Link](#) - 150+ free, video-based, ready-to-use digital skills lessons for student learning in any subject area or for your professional development.
- **Up-Goer Five Text Editor** - [Resource Link](#) - Tool where you can only write with the 1,000 most common words. Excellent way for students to try to explain any concept using just basic words.
- **Cleanup Pictures** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online tool that uses artificial intelligence to let you clean up a picture by removing any object in the image that you want to remove.

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- **Poptential** - [Resource Link](#) - Free curriculum that pairs pop culture media with engaging digital storytelling for effective dynamic learning in American History, World History, US Government, and Economics.
- **City Guesser** - [Resource Link](#) - Use street level videos to identify cities in the US, monuments around the globe, and locations from countries all around the world.

## General

- **Whiteborb** - [Resource Link](#) - Simple interactive digital whiteboard for collaboration with no sign in required.
- **Rainbow Wordart** - [Resource Link](#) - Learn how to use the gradient feature to create rainbow wordart in Google Slides.
- **Self-Checking Google Sheets** - [Resource Link](#) - Template and directions for creating a self-checking Google Sheets review activity for any topic.

- **Edji** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Collaborative annotation tool that lets students leave text and audio comments on a reading passage, answer questions, and optionally see comments from classmates.
- **Ziplet** - [Resource link](#), [Resource link](#) - Free tool for creating digital exit tickets and gathering feedback from students in a variety of ways.
- **LICEcap** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Free tool for Windows and Mac to quickly record and save animated GIFs.
- **Free 3D Icons** - [Resource Link](#) - Large collection of free 3D icons that you can use on your website or in any project, with no requirement for attribution.
- **What's New in Google** - [Resource Link](#) - Recorded video and detailed resource document from the September 2021 GEG-Ohio meeting with everything new in Google and loads of ideas for schools.

## August 2021

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- **Newspaper Map** - [Resource Link](#) - Explore this world map with over 10,000 newspapers from around the world, with links to read each, as well as translations if needed.

### General

- **Mind Map Tools** - [Resource Link](#) - Overview of 15 different tools for creating mind maps and flowcharts.
- **ChatterPix** - [Resource Link](#) - Free app for Android and iOS that lets you and your students create talking pictures. Fun way to explain a concept or tell a story.
- **Animation Desk** - [Resource Link](#) - Free tool for Windows, Android, or iOS for creating animated videos and GIFs to explain a concept or tell a story.
- **Note Ledge** - [Resource Link](#) - Free tool for creating sketchnotes and other drawings for Windows, Mac, Android, and iOS.

## May 2021

### Social Studies

- **MultDev** - [Resource Link](#) - Free website to create animated maps showing the journey and travel distances between multiple places on the globe.
- **Kialo** - [Resource Link](#) - Free argument mapping and debate tool specifically designed for classroom use, where discussions are visualized as an interactive tree of pro and con arguments that support or challenge each thesis and subsequent claim.
- **River Runner** - [Resource Link](#) - Free interactive website that lets you click on any location in the United States and then watch an animation of the path a water drop would travel from that spot all the way to the ocean.

### General

- **Docs Calendar Templates** - [Resource Link](#) - Google Docs templates for creating one-page calendars with event details for the 2021-2022 school year.
- **Brainstormer** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online interactive brainstorming tool, with no registration, easy submission of ideas, time limit options, and anonymous voting at the end.

## April 2021

### Social Studies

- **Floom** - [Resource Link](#) - Tunnel through Earth in augmented reality to see what is on the other side of the globe from you. Change the angle of your Android device to control how your tunnel intersects the Earth, exploring different places from one location.
- **Historical Maps** - [Resource Link](#) - Five useful websites with large collections of freely accessible historical maps.
- **Geography Games** - [Resource Link](#) - A collection of 12 fun geography games for students.
- **Google Earth Timelapse** - [Resource Link](#) - Explore 37 years of changes happening to our world including forests, water, agriculture, wildfires, mining, urban growth, and more.
- **EarthCam** - [Resource Link](#) - Large collection of live webcams documenting bird nesting season, cities around the world, time-lapses, animals and zoos, landmarks, and more.
- **iThrive Sim** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online role-playing simulation games that address media literacy, history, civics education, and SEL for high school social studies and humanities students.

### General

- **Loru Games** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online games where you can create question sets for your students or use public question sets.
- **PlayingCards.io** - [Resource Link](#) - Site for students to collaboratively play lots of classic card games, with the option to build your own as well.
- **IconsMania** - [Resource Link](#) - Free editable icons, illustrations and clipart images, which are great for school use. Easy to edit and use in Google tools.
- **New Google Meet Layout** - [Resource Link](#) - Details and video walkthrough of the new layout and features coming to Google Meet in May.
- **I'm a Puzzle** - [Resource Link](#) - Free site to create interactive online puzzles with a picture you upload. Choose the game mode and difficulty, then share the link with students.

## March 2021

### Social Studies

- **Arctic Fog** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive animated maps showing the history of the discovery of the Northwest Passage and the Northeast Passage.
- **Google's Fact Check Tools** - [Resource Link](#) - Search tool from Google to browse and search for fact checks on any topic, provided by journalists and researchers.

### General

- **Vmaker** - [Resource Link](#) - Another screencasting extension for teachers with free option for unlimited recordings.
- **Circly** - [Resource Link](#) - Free tool for creating interactive, collaborative graphic organizers using circles for grouping concepts.
- **Conundrums** - [Resource Link](#) - 14 episode learning series with activities which introduces the challenging idea that not all problems have a clear right answer.
- **GIFs from YouTube** - [Resource Link](#) - How to create a GIF from a YouTube video.
- **Wizer** - [Resource Link](#) - Create interactive digital worksheets from scratch or from existing worksheets.

- **GameChangineer** - [Resource Link](#) - A fun platform for creating video games in object-oriented English. Discover and practice logical reasoning, problem-solving, algorithmic design, critical and computational thinking.
- **Carrot2** - [Resource Link](#) - Search engine that organizes your results into topics to help students visualize and explore the results.
- **Preset Meet Breakout Rooms** - [Resource Link](#) - How to pre-organize your Google Meet Breakout Rooms and students using Google Calendar.
- **What's New in Google** - [Resource Link](#) - Recorded video and detailed resource document from the March 2021 GEG-Ohio meeting with everything new in Google and loads of ideas for schools.

## February 2021

### Social Studies

- **GeoQuiz** - [Resource Link](#) - Online game where you try to name as many countries as you can in 15 minutes by typing them in. Play solo or against other people.
- **Timeline Generator** - [Resource Link](#) - Free tool to take a Wikipedia article and automatically create a timeline from the dates and details, with the option to edit and share the result.
- **Reading Vine** - [Resource Link](#) - Free website with a large collection of reading passages and sets, across grade levels and subjects, for students to get personalized reading skills practice.

### General

- **Keymash** - [Resource Link](#) - Free typing website with dozens of interactive keyboarding lessons, as well as competitive typing games.
- **Record to Slides** - [Resource Link](#) - Chrome extension that makes it super easy to record video from your webcam or screen share, and then insert that into Google Slides.
- **Knowt** - [Resource Link](#) - Automatically turn any text into flashcards or a quiz for review with this artificial intelligence tool.
- **Blooket** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online review game site with a variety of fun games for students, and options to create your own questions or use existing banks.
- **What's New in Google** - [Resource Link](#) - Recorded video and detailed resource document from the February 2021 GEG-Ohio meeting with everything new in Google and loads of ideas for schools.

## January 2021

### Social Studies

- **Journalism in Action** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive website for HS and MS History students where you analyze primary sources such as newspaper articles, videos, and photographs to explore culture-shifting events.
- **Today in History** - [Resource Link](#) - Detailed information and images from the Library of Congress on what happened on this date in history.
- **Today's Document from the National Archives** - [Resource Link](#) - A new daily image or document from the National Archives along with details and resources related to the topic.
- **Bouncy Maps** - [Resource Link](#) - Animated world maps that change the relative sizes of countries based on data including population, energy, economy, religion, health, and more.
- **Our World in Data** - [Resource Link](#) - Over 3,000 charts on topics including poverty, disease, hunger, climate change, war, existential risks, inequality, and more, with supporting research, data, and conclusions.

- **Slow Reveal Graphs** - [Resource Link](#) - Google Slideshows that reveal parts of a chart bit by bit, to guide students through predictions, questions, and connections on a wide range of current event topics.
- **Anti-Social Studies** - [Resource Link](#) - Podcast and website with a humorous but informative take on world history, US history, and more.
- **Wolfram Alpha for Social Studies** - [Resource Link](#) - Tips for using Wolfram Alpha for quick fact sheets about people and places, and side-by-side comparisons of two or more people or two or more places.
- **Icograms** - [Resource Link](#) - Online graphics editor for creating maps, infographics, and illustrations with over 3,000 icons covering cities, farms, transportations, nature, and much more.
- **Crash Course Geography** - [Resource Link](#) - New video series all about Geography from the Crash Course channel on YouTube.
- **History of Radio & 100th Anniversary of Commercial Broadcasting** - [Resource Link](#) - A Slideshow with a wide variety of resource links. Covers early history of radio and 100th Anniversary of KDKA and Commercial Broadcasting in the USA. Live online presentations for your classes are available for your class by author (email for details).

## General

- **Thinkio** - [Resource Link](#) - Free and easy website for teachers to upload and share PDF worksheets and other files which students can then type on, draw on, and turn in.
- **WhiteboardChat** - [Resource Link](#) - Free interactive whiteboard website where up to 100 students can have their own boards that you can view and interact with. Lots and lots of great features.
- **Translating Google Meet** - [Resource Link](#) - How to translate Google Meet chat messages, live closed captions, and menus into any language.
- **Saving Meet Chat and Captions** - [Resource Link](#) - How to save a Google Doc transcript of all the chat messages, live closed captions, and screenshots from a Google Meet.
- **Cloud Stop Motion** - [Resource Link](#) - Online stop motion animation tool with free accounts for schools, with powerful features including sound effects, music, title, credits, and more.
- **Google Meet Attendance Template (Enterprise)** - [Resource Link](#) - Free template to collect, organize, and summarize attendance from Google Meet for the entire school year (for Enterprise users).
- **Google Meet Attendance Template (Non-Enterprise)** - [Resource Link](#) - Free template to collect, organize, and summarize attendance from Google Meet for the entire school year (for Non-Enterprise users).
- **What's New in Google** - [Resource Link](#) - Recorded video and detailed resource document from the January 2021 GEG-Ohio meeting with everything new in Google and loads of ideas for schools.

## December 2020

### Social Studies

- **World Population History Map** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive map that shows world population over time, along with informational milestones.
- **Population Education** - [Resource Link](#) - K-12 curricula, lessons, articles, videos, and more, about human population trends and their impacts on natural resources, environmental quality and human well-being.
- **Reference Sites for Students** - [Resource Link](#) - A collection of safe search engines and research websites for students.
- **24 Primary Source Archives** - [Resource Link](#) - A collection of 24 websites with digital primary source archives.
- **History Podcasts** - [Resource Link](#) - A collection of 11 history themed podcasts to use for teaching and learning.
- **Originality Reports in Google Classroom** - [Resource Link](#) - How you and your students can check for plagiarism and needed citations in their writing using the Originality Report feature in Google Classroom.

## General

- **Edu-pal** - [Resource Link](#) - Chrome extension for polls and quizzes in Google Meet (may be helpful for schools without Enterprise version of Meet)
- **GIPHY Stickers** - [Resource Link](#) - Animated stickers that are great for adding to Google Slides presentations.
- **Teacher Made** - [Resource Link](#) - Easily convert PDF worksheets into interactive documents for students to complete digitally.
- **Google Meet Q&A** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - How to use the Q&A feature in Meet, as well as alternatives for users without Enterprise.
- **Google Meet Breakout Rooms** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - How to use the breakout room feature in Meet, as well as alternatives for users without Enterprise.
- **Google Classroom Rubrics** - [Resource Link](#) - How to use the rubric feature in Google Classroom for grading student work.
- **Wordwall** - [Resource Link](#) - Website for making fun review games, with free option.
- **RecordCast** - [Resource Link](#) - Free screen recorder and video editor for up to 30 minutes per video and 8 video projects at a time.

## December 2019

### Social Studies

- **Creating Multimedia Maps** - [Resource Link](#) - Tools for creating multimedia maps including Padlet, Google's My Maps, and Google Earth
- **Civic Online Reasoning** - [Resource Link](#) - Free lessons and assessments that help you teach students to evaluate online information that affects them, their communities, and the world.
- **Printable Outline Maps** - [Resource Link](#) - More than 600 free printable maps, including world, countries, states, and more, that you can download and print for free.

## General

- **Canva for Education** - [Resource Link](#) - Canva now offering free premium accounts and tools for teachers and their classes for this powerful graphic design tool.
- **Image Annotator** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive tool for users to upload an image, create hotspots with titles, descriptions, and links, and share with others.

## November 2019

### Social Studies

- **Learn with News** - [Resource Link](#) - Current event articles, each written at three different reading levels, including resources for difficult words, activities, vocabulary practice, conversation questions, and more.
- **KidCitizen** - [Resource Link](#) - Using interactive episodes, K-5 students explore civics and government concepts by investigating primary source photographs from the Library of Congress.
- **Overlap Maps** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive tool to map one part of the world onto another to help compare countries, states, rivers, lakes, and other features.
- **Historical Maps** - [Resource Link](#) - Over 30,000 historical maps from the Library of Congress, searchable by date, location, subject, language, and more.

## General

- **Trace** - [Resource Link](#) - Online tool from Stickermule to remove the background from an image. The new cut out image can be downloaded for use in digital projects.

## October 2019

### Social Studies

- **15 Awesome Article Sites for Students** - [Resource Link](#) - Great sites for current event news and general interest articles for student reading in all subjects and grades
- **Media Literacy Booster Pack** - [Resource Link](#) - Media Literacy resources covering evaluating information, separating facts and opinions, recognizing bias, filtering out fake news, detecting propaganda, uncovering how news is made, spotting errors in the news, and taking charge of your role.
- **The Globe of Extremes** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive map of the extremes of the Earth (deepest, highest, farthest places, etc.)
- **US Cities Map Game** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive map game where you try to name as many US cities as possible, while getting stats on the ones you have named.
- **Exploring the Maya World** - [Resource Link](#) - Collection of images, videos, VR tours, and more about the Maya World as part of Google's Arts & Culture site.
- **topoView** - [Resource Link](#) - Free site to find and download historical topographical maps from all over the US from 1880 to the present. Maps can be downloaded in multiple formats including JPG and KMZ.
- **Mystery Reveal** - [Resource Link](#) - Have students examine historical images with this clever Google Slides "Mystery Reveal" template.

## General

- **What's New in Google for October 2019** - [Resource Link](#) - 33 new Google updates and 27 Google resources for your class.
- **Flippity** - [Resource Link](#) - Create educational games and activities including word searches, crossword puzzles, bingo games, flashcards, Jeopardy games, and more, with Flippity templates for Google Sheets.
- **4 C's Posters** - [Resource Link](#) - Free printable infographic posters explaining different levels of applying the 4 C's of Collaboration, Creativity, Communication, and Critical Thinking in the classroom
- **Educandy** - [Resource Link](#) - Free site to create 8 different types of interactive games by entering your own vocabulary words or questions and answers.
- **Genially** - [Resource Link](#) - Free site for creating a wide range of media including slideshows, games, interactive images, infographics, video presentations, and more.
- **FlexClip** - [Resource Link](#) - Make 1-minute videos with stock footage, text overlays, voiceovers, music, and more.
- **Photo Joiner** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online tool to create photo collages, join images vertically or horizontally, make memes, and more.

## September 2019

### Social Studies

- **Socrative** - [Resource Link](#) - Mobile app from Google that uses AI to help solve and explain math problems, answer questions, and provide help with over 1,000 high school topics in many subject areas.
- **TimelineJS** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online tool to create interactive timelines

- **Wonderopolis Immersive Reader** - [Resource Link](#) - Wonderopolis now integrates Immersive Reader for text-to-speech, picture dictionary, translations, and more. Articles cover language arts, science, social studies, and math.
- **Constitution Hall Pass** - [Resource Link](#) - Videos featuring scholars discussing elements of the Constitution and issues relating to it
- **Seeing America by SmartHistory** - [Resource Link](#) - Explore American art and history by theme, historical period, or common classroom topics.
- **Using Emojis in Social Studies** - [Resource Link](#) - Ideas for projects that use emojis in social studies
- **Versailles: The Palace is Yours** - [Resource Link](#) - Online exhibit from Google featuring high resolution images, 3D models, videos, and VR tours exploring the history of Versailles.

## General

- **EDpuzzle Live Mode** - [Resource Link](#) - The video lesson and quizzing tool EDpuzzle has added an option for students to answer questions live in a group setting
- **Google Slides Design Templates** - [Resource Link](#) - Over 700 design theme templates for Google Slides to spice up your presentations
- **SnackVids** - [Resource Link](#) - Easy site to pull the transcript from a YouTube video and help you search for the words you want
- **What's New in Google for September 2019** - [Resource Link](#) - 22 new Google updates and 19 Google resources for your class.
- **The Bracket Challenge** - [Resource Link](#) - Use Flippity and Google Sheets for this engaging research activity for students to compare people, ideas, and topics from their subject.

## May 2019

### Social Studies

- **Editable US Map** - [Resource Link](#) - Google Drawing template with each state of the US as a separate shape. Great option for creating customized maps to share information.
- **Sutori for Social Studies** - [Resource Link](#) - 5 ways to use Sutori in Social Studies lessons.
- **Lewis and Clark Resources** - [Resource Link](#) - Online activities for learning about the Lewis and Clark Expedition including Google Earth's Voyager and several other sources.

## General

- **Creative Commons Search** - [Resource Link](#) - Updated search engine with over 300 million images that are free to use
- **4 C's Self-Assessment** - [Resource Link](#) - Self-assessment to assess the depth of 4 C's in your lessons and find strategies, lesson ideas and technology tools to help boost future lessons.
- **Anyflip** - [Resource Link](#) - Create interactive, online flipping books from a PDF.
- **Flipsnack** - [Resource Link](#) - Create interactive, online flipping books from a PDF.
- **Educational Podcast Database** - [Resource Link](#) - Google Sheet with detailed listing of useful educational podcasts.
- **Fortnite Choice Board** - [Resource Link](#) - Google Slides template with "Season 9 Fortnite" theme for a student activity choice board.

## April 2019 ([video and audio overview](#))

## Social Studies

- **Economics Comics** - [Resource Link](#) - Downloadable digital comic books for teachers to use in their social studies and economics lessons.
- **Google Dataset Search** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Search tool to help users find publicly available datasets on a wide range of topics, which can be viewed and downloaded for analysis.
- **Global Temperature Anomalies** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive 3D climate change map showing temperatures around the world above or below the long-term average temperature for every year since 1950.
- **Classtools SMS Generator** - [Resource Link](#) - Free tool that can be used to create text message exchanges between fictional and historical characters.
- **Google Earth Engine Timelapse** - [Resource Link](#) - Satellite photos from the last 35 years show time lapse changes for any location around the world. Updated with new interface and more years of data.

## General

- **ClassKick** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Free web tool that allows ease of use, activities with manipulative movement, instant feedback, audio comments, peer interaction, and more.
- **Gzaas** - [Resource Link](#) - Quickly share a full-screen message with your class, with multiple text styles to choose from.
- **Photos for Class** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Great site for school-safe, free images including proper citations for student projects
- **Online Audio Recording Tools** - [Resource Link](#) - Four free and easy online tools for recording your voice to use in digital projects including Google Slides
- **Hipster Google 2** - [Resource Link](#) - A second collection of lesser known Google tools that can be used for teaching and learning in school
- **Random Student Selector** - [Resource Link](#) - Creative use of Google Slides to make a random student selector
- **Control Alt Achieve Podcast** - [Resource Link](#) - New educational technology podcast featuring content from the Control Alt Achieve blog.

## March 2019

### Social Studies

- **Manifest Destiny** - [Resource Link](#) - Tells the story of the United States in 141 maps from the Declaration of Independence to the present.
- **Race to Ratify** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive online game that teaches the big ideas at the core of the ratification debate between the Federalists and Anti-Federalists.
- **60-Second Civics** - [Resource Link](#) - Daily podcast that provides a quick and convenient way for listeners to learn about our nation's government, the Constitution, and our history.
- **TweenTribune** - [Resource Link](#) - Current event articles on a wide range of topics, written for students at multiple lexile levels.
- **Youngzine** - [Resource Link](#) - Current event articles for students covering news, science, history, and more, along with videos and critical thinking prompts.
- **Carmen Sandiego** - [Resource Link](#) - Google Earth Carmen Sandiego game to help students learn geography.
- **Decisive Moments in the Battle of Gettysburg** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive map detailing the events of the battle, with a scrollable timeline to move through each event.
- **Mr. Betts Class** - [Resource Link](#) - YouTube channel with humorous, but educational, animated American History videos.
- **MLB Stadiums** - [Resource Link](#) - Explore the US and Canada with this Google Tour of all the MLB stadiums.

## General

- **Google Instant Search Tools** - [Resource Link](#) - 15 new interactive tools from Google instant searches including number spinners, an Earth Day quiz, a mindfulness exercise, and more.
- **Screencastify Addon** - [Resource Link](#) - New addon for Google Slides to easily insert videos you have recorded with Screencastify into your Slides.
- **Background Removal Tools and Activities** - [Resource Link](#) - Tools for students to remove the background from their pictures, then add themselves into different scenes and images for educational projects.
- **Templates for Teachers** - [Resource Link](#) - Large collection of Googley templates for student activities and teacher productivity.
- **Wheel Spinners** - [Resource Link](#) - A collection of online wheel spinners for selecting random names, numbers, and other items.
- **Instagram Template** - [Resource Link](#) - Google Slides template for creating Instagram profile pages for student projects.

## February 2019

### Social Studies

- **8-bit Map of the USA** - [Resource Link](#) - Fun animated GIF map of the United States in the pixelated style of old 8-bit video games.

## General

- **50 Mini-Lessons For Teaching Students Research Skills** - [Resource Link](#) - Collection of mini-lessons to help build students' skills in the five areas of: clarify, search, delve, evaluate, and cite, as well as ideas for staying organised throughout the research process.
- **Photopea** - [Resource Link](#) - Online advanced image editing tool
- **Animoto** - [Resource Link](#) - Online video creation tool that offers free accounts for teachers and up to 50 students per teacher
- **Beautiful Audio Editor** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online audio tool for recording and editing audio, then save to Google Drive or as an MP3 or WAV file.

## January 2019

### Social Studies

- **History Tech** - [Resource Link](#) - Valuable website with loads of content about teaching history with technology
- **Tour Creator in the Elementary Classroom** - [Resource Link](#) - How students can use Google Tour Creator to make interactive 360 degree presentations
- **Making Timelines with Canva** - [Resource Link](#) - How to use the templates in the online design tool Canva to create timelines
- **Newsmap** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive world map listing local news stories from countries all around the world. (Note: In Chrome you can let Google Translate convert the stories to English if needed.)
- **Useful Charts** - [Resource Link](#) - YouTube channel with videos that use family tree charts to explore famous dynasties throughout world history.

## General

- **What's New in Google - January 2019** - [Resource Link](#) - 23 Google updates and 27 resources for schools from the month of January 2019
- **Googley Activities and Tools for Primary Students** - [Resource Link](#) - Collection of fun and educational activities for k-2 students using Docs, Slides, Sheets, Drawings, and more.
- **TPACK Video** - [Resource Link](#) - TPACK, or Technological Pedagogical Content Knowledge, is a model that helps teachers consider where their strengths and weaknesses lie in their knowledge of content, pedagogy, and technology and how these areas work together for innovative teaching and learning.
- **Cool Fancy Text Generator** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Copy and paste font generator and font changer that creates fun and creative Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram fonts.
- **Shukes and Giff** - [Resource Link](#) - Fun and informative edtech podcast with great ideas on using technology in schools
- **Tweet Archiver** - [Resource Link](#) - How to use If This Then That (IFTTT) to save a copy of all your tweets into a Google Sheet for easy access and searching
- **Guiding Peer Feedback with a Feedback Chat** - [Resource Link](#) - Peer feedback process with helpful Google template
- **Getting Started With Merge Cubes** - [Resource Link](#) - Directions, ideas, apps, and activities for augmented reality learning with Merge Cubes
- **TelepromptMe** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online teleprompter tool that is voice-activated to scroll as you speak.

## December 2018

### Social Studies

- **Places** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Map the relative density of place-names in different countries around the world by searching for prefixes, suffixes, or contained words. Great way to see the influence of cultures over time.
- **Google Historical Voyages and Events** - [Resource Link](#) - Great social studies site for publishing teachers and students. Can also find projects from other schools to replicate

## General

- **20 Awesome Add-ons for Google Docs** - [Resource Link](#) - Supercharge Docs usage with these helpful add-ons for you and your students.
- **Writer's Highlighter Add-on for Docs** - [Resource Link](#) - Awesome self-editing tool for student writing, to find overused words, get writing stats, and color-code sentences by length.
- **Self-checking Assessments with Google Sheets** - [Resource Link](#) - How to use conditional formatting to create self-checking reviews and assessments in Google Sheets.
- **Deck Toys** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Create guided lessons for students with a wide variety of activities and differentiation options, similar to a HyperDoc.
- **Volume Meter** - [Resource Link](#) - Free tool to monitor your classroom noise levels with a live display. You can set the length of time and maximum volume.
- **Remove Background** - [Resource Link](#) - Free website to remove an image background in 5 seconds with no clicking. Great for student media projects.
- **Videezy** - [Resource Link](#) - Over 1,000 free video clips arranged by category for use in projects.

## November 2018

## Social Studies

- **Seterra** - [Resource Link](#) - Over 300 online map quiz games covering countries, capital cities, flags, rivers, lakes, and notable geological features.
- **Edji** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Collaborative annotation tool that lets students leave comments on text and images in a reading, and then optionally see comments from classmates.
- **HippoCampus** - [Resource Link](#) - Collection of over 7,000 educational videos in many subject areas including math, science, social studies, and language arts.
- **Persuasive Cartography** - [Resource Link](#) - More than 800 maps intended primarily to influence opinions or beliefs, rather than to communicate geographic information, on a wide range of topics.

## General

- **Guess Who / Guess What** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Google Slides templates for creating "Guess Who?" and "Guess What?" games for subject area content.
- **WordSift** - [Resource Link](#) - Easy-to-use word cloud generator with different styles and download option.
- **Factile** - [Resource Link](#) - Free Jeopardy-style quiz game maker
- **Evaluating Websites** - [Resource Link](#) - Detailed directions and flowchart for evaluating a website including credibility, purpose, date, and more.
- **Screencastify Comments** - [Resource Link](#) - How to add text comments to Screencastify videos to provide additional resources, get feedback, and spark a class discussion on your screen recordings.

## October 2018

### Social Studies

- **Google Tour Creator** - [Resource Link](#) - You and your students can create interactive 360 degree tours, including narration, points of interests, and more, to share their learning.
- **Tall Tweets** - [Resource Link](#) - Free tool to convert Google Slides presentations into animated GIFs. Great way for students to demonstrate their learning.
- **FANSchool** - [Resource Link](#) - Teacher-created, fantasy sports-like games for better current events habits: Draft states or countries and get points for positive news!
- **Actively Learn** - [Resource Link](#) - Reading texts for ELA, Science, and Social Studies with scaffolds and higher-order questions.
- **Case Maker** - [Resource Link](#) - 20 pre-made challenges for grades 6-8 civics education projects, where students review the challenge, add annotations to the related primary source documents, and build a case.
- **Crio** - [Resource Link](#) - Create interactive, online lessons with this free drag-and-drop tool from Curriculum Pathways.
- **Borderline** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive map exploring the boundary and physical barriers that define the US-Mexico border.
- **Social Studies Sites** - [Resource Link](#) - A large collection of the best Social Studies sites from 2018

## General

- **Brush Ninja** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online tool to draw your own animated GIFs frame by frame, then download the result.
- **Screen Shades** - [Resource Link](#) - A collection of different tools to create and use screen shades when teaching
- **Game Builder** - [Resource Link](#) - Build your own educational interactive games using 20 game templates, which can be played on a computer, tablet, or smartphone.

- **Digital Whiteboards** - [Resource Link](#) - 20 of the best digital whiteboard tools for both teacher and student use.
- **What's New in Google: October 2018** - [Resource Link](#) - Everything new in Google from the last month including 25 updates and 17 resources for school.

## September 2018

### Social Studies

- **Mission Map Quest** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Free tool to create online geography games where users identify places around the world based on the clues you create.
- **Your Life in Another Country** - [Resource link](#) - Choose your country and another one to compare life expectancy, unemployment rate, average purchasing power, median age and more.
- **60 Second Adventures in Economics** - [Resource link](#) - A series of six short videos intended to introduce viewers to some of the basic concepts of macroeconomics
- **Chronicling America** - [Resource Link](#) - More than 2,600 digitized copies of newspapers printed in the United States between 1789 and 1963 from the Library of Congress
- **Common Core Sheets** - [Resource Link](#) - Large collection of free digital worksheets for math, science, social studies, and language arts organized by topics
- **Atlas of the Historical Geography of the United States** - [Resource link](#) - Online atlas containing more than 700 historical maps of the United States
- **Rights Around the World** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive map that lets you explore which rights each country of the world has adopted and compare them to the United States versions.

### General

- **Collaborative Writing with Google Slides** - [Resource Link](#) - Use Google Slides to have students write independently, while also giving collaborative feedback for classmates.
- **Applied Digital Skills updates** - [Resource Link](#) - New courses and features for Google's free curriculum covering content skills, tech skills, and job skills.
- **Google Classroom updates** - [Resource Link](#) - Back-to-school updates and new features for Google Classroom.
- **Yo Teach!** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Online backchannel tool for class discussions, with the option for students to type or use a digital whiteboard to contribute to the discussion.
- **Wakelet** - [Resource Link](#) - How to use Wakelet to curate and share online links for resource lists, digital portfolios, storytelling, differentiation, newsletters and more.
- **FlipQuiz** - [Resource Link](#) - Free Jeopardy-style quiz game maker
- **PDF Candy** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online PDF editor with dozens of tools including merge, split, rearrange, crop, add headers and footers, convert, and more.

## April 2018

### Social Studies

- **Smithsonian X 3D** - [Resource Link](#) - Explore and interact with 3D models of historical, scientific, and cultural items and artifacts, with many including guided educational tours of the object
- **Historypin** - [Resource Link](#) - Map-based history site where you can explore existing images or pin your own pictures to a location on the map, including a date and note to describe the image.

- **Designing Your Own Virtual Field Trips** - [Resource Link](#) - A collection of Google mapping tools that can be used for virtual field trips and other learning activities
- **JuxtaposeJS** - [Resource Link](#) - Online, interactive tool to compare two images, to see changes over time, or compare and contrast.
- **Eagle Eye Citizen** - [Resource Link](#) - Engage middle and high school students in solving and creating interactive challenges about Congress, American history, civics, and government with Library of Congress primary sources while developing civic understanding and historical thinking skills.
- **Open Heritage** - [Resource Link](#) - Google's 3D digital archive of endangered wonders of the world.
- **Novels on Location** - [Resource Link](#) - Find novels according to their geographical location by clicking on placemarks on a Google Map of the world.
- **Financial Literacy Resources** - [Resource Link](#) - 5 ways to bring financial literacy into school
- **Taste Atlas** - [Resource Link](#) - Explore traditional foods from all over the world through this interactive map and detailed articles
- **WikiWhere** - [Resource Link](#) - Map-based trivia game where you try to identify cities from around the world by using clues pulled from Wikipedia
- **Be Washington** - [Resource Link](#) - Online choose-your-own-adventure game where you play through various real life scenarios from Washington's life.
- **Applied Digital Skills** - [Resource Link](#) - Google's free MS and HS curriculum that uses practical projects to cover tech skills and subject area content.

## General

- **Wakelet** - [Resource Link](#) - With Padlet switching to a paid model with a limited free version, Wakelet is a free alternative for creating and collaborating on an online collection with text, links, images, and videos.
- **Pear Deck Flashcard Factory** - [Resource Link](#) - Use this free tool from Pear Deck to have students create and illustrate flashcards, then select the best, and play in Quizlet.
- **CopyComments for Classroom extension** - [Resource Link](#) - Use this extension to copy comments for Docs and Slides when making copies through a Classroom assignment.
- **Adobe Spark for Education** - [Resource Link](#) - Free version of Spark for schools with all the premium features for creating graphics, videos, and web pages.
- **Canva Templates** - [Resource Link](#) - 20 ways your students can use the templates provided with Canva, the free online graphic design tool
- **HyperDocs Templates** - [Resource Link](#) - Templates to copy to make your own HyperDocs
- **Making Learning Transparent** - [Resource Link](#) - Finding, making, and using transparent images for student projects and learning activities
- **Free Image Sites** - [Resource Link](#) - 18 sources for copyright-free, creative commons, and public domain images for students and educators.

## March 2018

### Social Studies

- **Historical Tweets** - [Resource Link](#) - Use a collaborative Google Slides template to have students create historical tweets
- **The Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History** - [Resource Link](#) - More than 70,000 primary source items covering five hundred years of American history
- **Social Studies tools** - [Resource Link](#) - 5 Free Tech Tools to Try in Your Social Studies Lessons
- **Hashtags in History** - [Resource Link](#) - Student project to use hashtags and QR codes in history class
- **Antipodes Map** - [Resource Link](#) - This map helps you find the antipodes (the other side of the world) of any place on Earth.

- **iCivics WebQuests** - [Resource Link](#) - iCivics WebQuests give kids an engaging look at specific civics topics and guide them to pre-selected online resources to learn more.
- **Gapminder** - [Resource Link](#) - Free website to compare various statistics between countries of the world with interactive, animated graphs. Site also includes educational videos and teaching resources.
- **Country Comparisons** - [Resource Link](#) - Compare stats for any two countries side by side with a wide range of topics.
- **Nation Master** - [Resource Link](#) - Get maps, graphs, and data on the statistics for countries around the world.
- **You Go Culture** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive website with virtual tours of ancient and modern Greece with videos, maps, images, and other content
- **EconEdLink** - [Resource Link](#) - Economic and personal finance lesson materials, videos, interactives, and more for K-12 teachers and students
- **NewseumED** - [Resource Link](#) - Online collection of primary sources, news artifacts, and lessons that help teach media literacy, history, civics, and all aspects of the First Amendment
- **Academic Skill Builders** - [Resource Link](#) - Free educational video games on basic math, language arts, geography, and other skills. Play online (Flash required) or on mobile (Android or iOS)
- **CyArk** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive 3D models of cultural and historic sites from around the world, as well as lesson plans based on the models
- **Country of the Week** - [Resource Link](#) - A weekly interactive quiz from the New York Times that introduces students to a country via Times maps, video, photography and journalism.

## General

- **Pear Deck Templates** - [Resource Link](#) - 21 new free Pear Deck templates to add interactive elements to your Google Slides presentations
- **Webinar - Supercharge Google Slides with Add-Ons** - [Resource Link](#) - February 6th
- **Loom** - [Resource Link](#) - Free screencasting tool, with directions and ideas for use
- **And Then I Was Like** - [Resource Link](#) - Record and save animated GIFs with your webcam
- **CuePrompter** - [Resource Link](#) - Free web-based teleprompter tool with lots of features
- **Star Wars Crawl Creator** - [Resource Link](#) - Tool for you or your students to create your own animated Star Wars crawls. Great for a fun way to share subject content information in class.
- **Certify'Em** - [Resource Link](#) - New Google Forms add-on for generating certificates from quizzes

## December 2017

### Social Studies

- **Election Databot** - [Resource Link](#) - Google tool with data for all House and Senate races including Search Trends, YouTube videos, candidate spending, voting records, articles, press statements, deleted Tweets, and more
- **Timeline Tools** - [Resource Link](#) - 8 Web Tools for Creating Multimedia Timelines
- **Google Street View** - [Resource Link](#) - 3,000+ Google Street Views for Your Classroom
- **Nat Geo Mapmaker Kits** - [Resource Link](#) - Download, print, and assemble free maps of the world, individual continents, and the United States in a variety of sizes from one-page up to giant wall-sized maps.
- **World War II in Europe** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive timeline of the European Theater of World War II
- **If It Were My Home** - [Resource Link](#) - Compare your country to any other country around the world, including living conditions, size, and other statistics.
- **eStory** - [Resource Link](#) - A simple tool for creating interactive, online timelines.

## General

- **Webinar - Supercharge Google Docs with Drawings** - [Resource Link](#) - Recorded December 5th
- **12 Days of Tech-Mas** - [Resource Link](#) - 12 posts on the best educational technology resources
  - [12 Best Blogs](#) - A dozen more blogs to add to my earlier list of 50 fantastic EdTech blogs
  - [11 Pods O'Casting](#) - Great educational technology podcasts that I listen to and learn from, and you can too!
  - [10 Excellent Extensions](#) - A varied collection of useful Chrome extensions for educators and students
  - [9 Terrific Trainings](#) - Online professional development sessions for the Ditch the Textbook Virtual Summit
  - [8 Docs Drawings](#) - You can do that in Docs! Creative ways to use Google Drawings in Docs to add textboxes, videos, captioned images, manipulatives, whiteboards, watermarks, and more. (Includes 1-hour recorded video webinar.)
  - [7 Helpful Hacks](#) - A range of lesser-known tips and tricks for Drive, Gmail, Chrome, Docs, Photos, and more!
  - [6 Wintry Wonders](#) - Fun winter-themed Googley activities to help students develop skills with writing, technology, and creativity
  - [5 Golden Nuggets](#) - Five of my favorite education quotes, with custom made images, and what the quotes mean to me
  - [4 Rubric Writers](#) - Tools to help you grade Google Docs with digital rubrics, including WriQ, OrangeSlice, docAppender, and Doctopus/Goobric
  - [3 Meme Makers](#) - Three options for students to create their own memes for school projects, including a school-safe meme template for Google Drawings
  - [2 Turtle Coders](#) - Have students learn to code with Logo, where they program a "turtle" to create designs on a canvas
  - [And an Add-on for a Pear Deck](#) - Make your slideshows interactive with the free Pear Deck add-on for Google Slides
- **Google's Santa Tracker and Village** - [Resource Link](#) - Loads of learning activities for students including coding, games, creativity, and more for the month of December
- **Remix It!** - [Resource Link](#) - 27 resources for finding free digital content to use for digital learning
- **Video Quizzes** - [Resource Link](#) - 17 web tools and apps to create interactive video lessons and quizzes

## November 2017

### Social Studies

- **Reading Through History** - [Resource Link](#) - YouTube channel set up by a group of western Oklahoma social studies teachers, to create meaningful content that combines the subjects of reading and history, thus promoting social studies through reading.
- **This Day in History** - [Resource Link](#) - National Geographic site with historical events for each day, with links to additional resources and activities for each.
- **Geography Awareness Week resources** - [Resource Link](#) - A collection of 10 resources for Geography Awareness Week including map games and other instructional resources
- **Where is...** - [Resource Link](#) - Google Maps game where you compete to find cities of the world
- **Big History Project** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online social studies course for middle and high school students
- **Mystery Hangouts** - [Resource Link](#) - Connect with other classes around the world to determine where they are through questioning and maps skills
- **5 Clue Challenge** - [Resource Link](#) - Use research skills to determine where people are in the world with this large collection of 5 Clue videos.
- **Preserving Maya Heritage** - [Resource Link](#) - Google Arts & Culture collection with Maya resources including images, 3D models, 360 degree Street View locations, Expeditions, and more

## General

- **Force a Docs Copy WITH Pre-Loaded Comments** - [Resource Link](#) - Take advantage of the new copy comment feature to add helpful resources to student Docs including directions, links, voice comments, and more
- **Take a Snapshot Alternative** - [Resource Link](#) - How to use the Webcam Screenshot extension now that the "Take a Snapshot" feature in Docs, Slides, and Drawings has been removed
- **800+ Fantastic Fonts for Google Projects** - [Resource Link](#) - How to find, install, and use over 800 web fonts from Google for projects in Docs, Slides, Sheets, and Drawings
- **4 Ways to Play Videos in Google Docs** - [Resource Link](#) - Creative options for adding videos to your Google Docs to create multimedia HyperDocs, worksheets, reports, study guides, and more
- **Big Huge Labs** - [Resource Link](#) - Use your own images to create custom movie posters, magazine covers, posters, trading cards, and more
- **Animated GIFs** - [Resource Link](#) - Tools and activities for creating and learning with animated GIFs in school
- **Digital Bulletin Boards** - [Resource Link](#) - Comparison of several popular and useful digital bulletin boards for student feedback, projects, brainstorming, and more.
- **Digital Sign Generators** - [Resource Link](#) - Dozens of tools to make your own headlines, road signs, wanted posters, tombstones, marques, and more
- **Mentimeter** - [Resource Link](#) - Free audience response online tool with a wide range of question types including multiple choice, word cloud, scales, open ended, image choice, and many more.
- **Sketchnoting** - [Resource Link](#) - Examples, resources, and benefits of visual notetaking.
- **iSLCollective** - [Resource Link](#) - Create video quizzes by adding questions to existing videos.

## October 2017

### Social Studies

- **Timelines in Google Slides** - [Resource Link](#) - How to use Slide's new Diagram tool to create and edit timelines in Google Slides.
- **Radioooooo** - [Resource Link](#) [Resource Link](#) - Explore music by country of the world and by decade with this musical atlas.
- **Current Events Sites for Students** - [Resource Link](#) - Collection of six websites with current event articles for students.
- **Simple History** - [Resource Link](#) - YouTube channel with short animated videos covering historical topics, people, and events.
- **Geoinquiries** - [Resource Link](#) - Short, standards-based inquiry activities for teaching ELA, math, science, and social studies with map-based concepts.

## General

- **Seven Summarization Tools for Students** - [Resource Link](#) - Tools to provide students with summarized versions of web articles to help them with comprehension.
- **Google Tour Builder** - [Resource Link](#) - How to use Tour Builder in any subject to create virtual tours with locations, images, videos, descriptions, hyperlinks, and more.
- **24 Tips for Google Forms Quizzes** - [Resource Link](#) - How to get the most out of Google Forms for auto-graded online quizzes.
- **Eyebombing** - [Resource Link](#) - Students tell creative stories with Eyebombing activity.
- **Screencast GIFs** - [Resource Link](#) - How to create and use screencast GIFs in the classroom.
- **Video Calls** - [Resource Link](#) - Step-by-step directions for using video conferencing in your classroom with a variety of tools.
- **EDpuzzle Vs PlayPosit** - [Resource Link](#) - Great comparison of these two interactive video assessment tools.

- **Multimedia on a Chromebook** - [Resource Link](#) - 10 multimedia tools that can be used on a Chromebook for creative projects.
- **Easy Citations in Google Docs** - [Resource Link](#) - How to use the Explore tool and the EasyBib add-on for citations in Google Docs.
- **Made to Stick** - [Resource Link](#) - Learn how to communicate (and teach) effectively with this animated summary of the "Made to Stick" book by Chip and Dan Heath
- **Flipgrid** - [Resource Link](#) - Great overview on how to use Flipgrid for student video responses in your class.

## September 2017

### Social Studies

- **Social Studies Digital Content List** - [Resource Link](#) - Awesome list of 15 online resources for social studies
- **We Wear Culture** - [Resource Link](#) - Google adds "We Wear Culture" collection to Arts and Culture on history and culture as told through fashion.
- **Power My Learning** - [Resource Link](#) - Over 6,000 interactive activities and videos arranged by subject area and grade level
- **Bill of Rights Institute** - [Resource Link](#) - Lesson materials on our founding documents, as well as a free online course.
- **Crash Course Curriculum** - [Resource Link](#) - Common Core aligned curriculum for US History and World History to go along with the "Crash Course" YouTube channel.
- **Front Row Social Studies** - [Resource Link](#) - Social studies units, lessons, activities, videos, and articles are multiple reading levels.
- **History of Philly** - [Resource Link](#) - Free educational materials and video series covering US History from 1600 through 1994.
- **Miller Center** - [Resource Link](#) - Educational resources covering all the Presidents, issues, policies, news, and events.
- **Reading Like A Historian** - [Resource Link](#) - Lessons around a central historical question with sets of primary documents designed for groups of students with diverse reading skills and abilities.
- **ReadWorks Social Studies** - [Resource Link](#) - Thousands of social studies articles at a wide range of reading levels, some with audio versions and comprehension questions.
- **Constitute** - [Resource Link](#) - Search and compare themes from the constitutions of 160 countries.
- **The Constitution Explained** - [Resource Link](#) - Over 50 videos from Keith Hughes explaining everything about the US Constitution.
- **iCivics Games** - [Resource Link](#) - A collection of 19 educational, online games for students that teach about civics, government, courts, and the Constitution.
- **Maps Mania** - [Resource Link](#) - Excellent blog with practical uses of maps for current events and a wide variety of topics. New posts daily (or even more often).
- **Chronas** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive atlas of world history w/ events, people, places, and more.

### General

- **Amazing Mobile Features of Google Classroom** - [Resource Link](#) - How students can use the mobile version of Classroom for digital handwriting, taking and inserting pictures and videos, and much more.
- **Launch Tour Builder Tours in Google Earth with One Click** - [Resource Link](#) - Students can now open their Tour Builder Tours directly into Google Earth for a 3D experience. Great for telling stories, tracking events, or explaining your understanding.
- **23 Google Projects for your Students** - [Resource Link](#) - A collection of 23 example projects and ideas for Google Docs, Sheets, Slides, and Drawings, covered in 10 minutes!
- **Making Posters with Google Drawings** - [Resource Link](#) - Have students create posters for any subject area using Google Drawings tips and tricks.

- **Video Mash-Ups with Google Slides** - [Resource Link](#) - Use Google Slides to create video mash-ups to compare ideas, contrast topics, or explain a concept.
- **Hypothesis** - [Resource Link](#) - Free tool for students to collaboratively add notes and comments to any text online, including webpage, PDF's, Google Docs, and more.
- **Bellringers** - [Resource Link](#) - 10 digital bell-ringer activities to kickstart class (Part 1)
- **Bellringers** - [Resource Link](#) - 10 more digital bell-ringer activities to kickstart class (Part 2)
- **Free Images** - [Resource Link](#) - A collection of great sites for finding high-quality, free images
- **Sketchnote School** - [Resource Link](#) - A collection of 80+ videos on Sketchnoting in education with a variety of tech (and non-tech) tools.
- **Study Skills** - [Resource Link](#) - Video series from "Crash Course" all about study skills for students
- **Using GIFs in School** - [Resource Link](#) - A guide to creating and using GIFs in your classroom
- **Quizlet Diagrams** - [Resource Link](#) - Quizlet adds new diagram quiz type with clickable areas.
- **Kahoot Single-player** - [Resource Link](#) - New Kahoot mobile app allows users to take quizzes in single-player mode.

## May 2017

### Social Studies

- **My Maps Hyperslide** - [Resource Link](#) - Elementary School HyperSlide Tour of Oceans, National Parks, Major Rivers, Mountain Ranges, and Animal Habitats
- **The Public Domain Project** - [Resource Link](#) - Download thousands of historic media files for your creative projects, completely free.
- **Check 123** - [Resource Link](#) - Large collection of short educational videos that are only one, two, or three minutes in length. Organized by subject and topic.
- **Old Maps Online** - [Resource Link](#) - Browse or search to find historical maps locally or around the world, which you can view, download, or print.
- **TED Ed Videos** - [Resource Link](#) - A collection of 18 Great TED Ed Video Lessons for Social Studies Teachers.
- **American Treasures** - [Resource Link](#) - View multiple drafts of the U.S. Constitution to see images, read its text, and discover highlights of how the document evolved.
- **DocsTeach** - [Resource Link](#) - Access thousands of primary sources - letters, photographs, speeches, posters, maps, videos, and other document types - spanning the course of American history, as well as activities created by the National Archives, and teachers around the world.
- **DOGOnews** - [Resource Link](#) - Current events sites for students with articles covering science, social studies, sports, world events, and more.
- **Europeana Photography** - [Resource Link](#) - Over 2 million free historical photos from galleries, libraries, archives and museums from all over Europe.
- **Map of Contemporaries** - [Resource Link](#) - Timeline showing famous people who lived at the same times throughout history, with links to more information for each.
- **The History Project** - [Resource Link](#) - Free tool to create interactive online timelines which can include images, text, and audio.

### General

- **6 End-Of-Year Google Classroom Clean-up Tips** - [Resource Link](#) - Six tips to clean up and organize your Google Classroom at the end of a school year.
- **30 Free Google Drawings Graphic Organizers** - [Resource Link](#) - See how to use Google Drawings to create and edit graphic organizers, as well as get access to 30 free templates to use.
- **Create your own Lit Trips (and more) for Google Earth** - [Resource Link](#) - Using Google Tour Builder you and your students can create your own Lit Trips or other tours for use in Google Earth.

- **AR/VR Resources** - [Resource Link](#) - Loads of resources for using augmented reality and virtual reality in the classroom
- **Bingo for the Classroom** - [Resource Link](#) - Tools and ideas for creating print and online bingo games for your classroom.
- **ClassroomScreen** - [Resource Link](#) - A handy webpage with a useful collection of classroom tools including a timer, text area, drawing tool, name picker, work symbols, calculator, QR codes and more.
- **Creative Commons Search** - [Resource Link](#) - Search for creative commons licensed images, videos, and music for use in school projects.

## April 2017

### Social Studies

- **Google Earth Engine Timelapse** - [Resource Link](#) - Satellite photos from the last 30 years show time lapse changes for interesting locations all around the world.
- **New York Times Learning Network** - [Resource Link](#) - New York Times resources for all subject areas including articles, writing prompts, lesson plans, quizzes, contests, and more.
- **Street View** - [Resource Link](#) - Google Street View adds 6 California State Park locations
- **Data USA** - [Resource Link](#) - The most comprehensive visualization of US public data including maps, articles, and profiles by location, occupation, and education.
- **The Best Online Geography Games** - [Resource Link](#) - A collection of over 20 interactive online games for teaching and learning geography.
- **The Past and the Curious** - [Resource Link](#) - Free audio show you can listen to online or as a podcast, telling stories from history around a different topic for each episode. Especially great for younger students.
- **Social Studies HyperDocs** - [Resource Link](#) - A growing collection of HyperDocs templates and activities for Social Studies.
- **This is Home** - [Resource Link](#) - Google Earth interactive tour to show how humans have adapted to their own unique landscapes across our planet.
- **Hamilton Resources** - [Resource Link](#) - Google adds a variety of online Hamilton resources
- **TeachingHistory** - [Resource Link](#) - Large collections of K-12 history resources including teaching materials, history content, best practices, and more.
- **Deeper thinking with timeline projects** - [Resource Link](#)
- **Timetoast** - [Resource Link](#) - Online timeline creation tool
- **American Revolution resources** - [Resource Link](#) - A list of 5 Good Resources for Teaching and Learning About the American Revolution
- **USAFacts** - [Resource Link](#) - Free public, explorable database with a fully integrated look at revenue and spending across federal, state and local governments.
- **World War II** - [Resource Link](#) - 5 Good Resources for Teaching and Learning About World War II

### General

- **Stop Motion Animation with Google Slides** - [Resource Link](#) - See how students can create stop motion animation movies with Google Slides to tell stories and show understanding in any subject area.
- **Creative Google Slides Uses for Students** - [Resource Link](#) - See a wide range of creative student activities with Google Slides that go beyond the traditional slideshow.
- **GooseChase** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Make digital educational scavenger hunts for your class.
- **Google AutoDraw** - [Resource Link](#) - Use Google's artificial intelligence to help you draw, share, and download images on any device.
- **Open Culture** - [Resource Link](#) - Collection of thousands of free eBooks, audio books, online courses, and other K-12 educational resources.

## March 2017

### Social Studies

- **Street View Oceans** - [Resource Link](#) - Google adds 360 degree Street View imagery for oceans of the world.
- **StoryMap** - [Resource Link](#) - Create a story by placing locations on a map along with your text, images, videos, and more.
- **Tinycards** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Online interactive flashcards for languages, history, geography, science, and more, or make your own.
- **Exploring Primary Sources with Divided Images** - [Resource Link](#) - Using shapes and animations in Google Slides to divide and reveal portions of primary source images for deeper exploration and discussion.
- **Story Maps** - [Resource Link](#) - Free mapping tools that let you create powerful stories and presentations with maps, text, images, videos, and more.
- **Game On World** - [Resource Link](#) - Multiplayer class game where students compete to answer questions on cities, places, people, things, timelines, facts, temperature, science, sports, and entertainment.
- **Kami PDF Annotation Tool** - [Resource Link](#) - 3 Ways to use Kami in a Social Studies Classroom
- **EmperorTigerstar YouTube Channel** - [Resource Link](#) - Large collection of videos with a focus on maps showing historical changes over time.
- **NYPL Digital Collection** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - New York Public Library has released over 180,000 high resolution digitized historical photos and documents for free access and download.
- **5 Tech Tools for the Social Studies Classroom** - [Resource Link](#) - Google Tool Builder, Mystery Skype Session, iMovie, Powtoon, and BrainPOP.

### General

- **Use Google Keep Comment Lists to Leave Feedback in Docs** - [Resource Link](#)
- **Hipster Google** - [Resource Link](#) - 21 Google Tools You Probably Never Heard Of
- **Four Easy Steps for Flipping Your Classroom** - [Resource Link](#)
- **Spiral** - [Resource Link](#) - Free online classroom tool for formative assessments, interactive presentations, collaboration, video quizzes, and more.
- **7 Great Tools for Creating Flipped Lessons from Existing Videos** - [Resource Link](#) - TESTeach, EDPuzzle, PlayPosit, VideoANT, Vialogues, MoocNote, and Vizia.
- **Kupiter** - [Resource Link](#) - Create and play vocabulary review with this Asteroids-themed educational game.

## February 2017

### Social Studies

- **The Best "Around The World" Videos** - [Resource Link](#) - Great way to introduce countries, cultures, and landforms of the world
- **Talking Social Studies** - [Resource Link](#) - Great new podcast on ideas, lessons, and strategies for the 21st Century Social Studies classroom.
- **Put yourself in historical images** - [Resource Link](#) - Google Drive folder full of historical images with a character removed. Students can greenscreen themselves onto the image as the character to explain the content.
- **Google adds Ghana, Senegal, and Uganda to Street View** - [Resource Link](#)
- **What If?** - [Resource Link](#) - Students learn by creating alternate histories
- **Google Arts & Culture** - [Resource Link](#) - U.S. presidential history added with over 2,000 new artifacts, photos, pictures and more, and 63 new exhibits

- **GlobalXplorer** - [Resource Link](#) - Students search real satellite imagery for signs of looting so that archaeological sites can be saved.
- **AllSides** - [Resource Link](#) - left, center, and right articles on current events.
- **Explore Your Life in History** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Enter your birthday and see how the world has changed during your lifetime.

## General

- **Motivational Posters with Google Drawings** - [Resource Link](#) - Have students express their understanding of vocabulary, terms, concepts, people, and events by creating their own "Motivational Posters".
- **Spreadsheet Activities for all Subjects** - [Resource Link](#) - Examples, ideas, resources, and tutorial videos on how students can learn with spreadsheets in any subject.
- **Have Students Build Learning Databases with Google Sheets** - [Resource Link](#) - Students can use Google Sheets to create databases of information they are learning and then sort and filter to answer questions.
- **Pixel Art Activities for any Subject with Google Sheets** - [Resource Link](#) - Use Google Sheets to create pixel art for creativity, tech skills, math, and other activities in all subjects.
- **Getting Started with Educational Podcasts** - [Resource Link](#) - Everything you need to know to start listening to educational podcasts
- **Edublogs** - [Resource Link](#) - Student blogging is now 100% free on Edublogs, including class management, reports, themes, plugins, 1GB storage, and more.
- **50 Fabulous EdTech Blogs to Follow** - [Resource Link](#) - Great list of technology integration blogs to read and follow.
- **Genius Hour** - [Resource Link](#) - 12 ways to make Genius Hour work in your class.

## January 2017

### Social Studies

- **Social Studies Should Teach Students for Tomorrow, Not the Past** - [Resource Link](#)
- **10 great virtual field trips to check out in 2017** - [Resource Link](#)
- **C-SPAN Classroom Deliberations** - [Resource Link](#) - 34 lesson plans centered around issues currently debated in Congress and in U.S. political discourse in general.
- **Explore museums with augmented reality with Google's Tango** - [Resource Link](#)
- **Spacehopper** - [Resource Link](#) - Play this Google Maps game to identify locations around the world
- **Every Country in the World** - [Resource Link](#) (part 1), [Resource Link](#) (part 2) - Video quickly covering and giving facts on every country in the world.
- **Sutori** - [Resource Link](#) - Interactive timeline tool in which users can add text, audio, videos, quiz questions, forums and more to a vertical timeline.
- **11 Websites and Apps for Social Studies Reading Passages** - [Resource Link](#)
- **Best Web Tools and Mobile Apps for Creating Educational Timelines** - [Resource Link](#)
- **IXL adds content for grades 6-8 Social Studies** - [Resource Link](#)
- **Hunt for historical figures with this augmented reality app** - [Resource Link](#)
- **5 Emoji Learning Activities with Google Docs** - [Resource Link](#) - See how to use emojis in Google Docs for fun student learning activities in all subjects including writing summaries, making a rebus story, exploring character emotions, using as variables in math, and creating pictographs.
- **Listenwise** - [Resource Link](#) - Free listening skills service w/ audio for ELA, ELL, Science, and Social Studies.
- **Use Historical Images to Spark Discussions** - [Resource Link](#)
- **Google Earth Walks** - [Resource Link](#) - Problem solving in Google Earth for math, science, and social studies

## General

- **Triple Differentiation in Google Classroom** - [Resource Link](#) - How to use Google Classroom to differentiate activities for your students throughout the entire learning process.
- **3 Tips for Teaching With Images** - [Resource Link](#)
- **Video Dubbing Learning Activities for Students** - [Resource Link](#) - Students can add their own audio to an existing video for various learning activities including practicing translation, reinterpreting a story, creating commentary, and more.
- **Have Students Write Better by Writing Less with Google Docs** - [Resource Link](#) - For a fun writing activity, put a word limit or character limit on the assignment, and students can use the Word Count tool in Google Docs to make their writing more clear and concise.
- **5 Sites for Music for Student Projects** - [Resource Link](#)
- **Biteable** - [Resource Link](#) - Have students create video presentations with this free online tool
- **7 Super Screencasting Activities for School** - [Resource Link](#) - Creative ways for students and staff to use screencasting in schools including instructional videos, narrating slideshows, explaining understanding, giving a speech or performance, practicing fluency, giving feedback, and more.
- **Recap** - [Resource Link](#), [Resource Link](#) - Free web-based tool for students to record short video responses to questions, topics, and problems you have posed.
- **Make Sequencing Questions with Google Forms** - [Resource Link](#) - Use Google Forms to create randomized sequencing questions where students have to put the items in the correct order.

## December 2016

### Social Studies

- **Thingiverse Education: History** - [Resource Link](#) - Provides free lessons that make teaching with a 3D printer easier and more effective for a variety of grade levels and subjects.
- **Explore Maps of Historical Sites in Every U.S. State** - [Resource Link](#)
- **7 Steps to Carry out A Research Plan Using Digital Tools** - [Resource Link](#) - Helpful infographic with tech tools for every step of the process.
- **Online Activities for Teaching With Primary Sources** - [Resource Link](#)
- **1600 Mobile App** - [Resource Link \(Android\)](#) - [Resource Link \(iOS\)](#) - Learn about the White House with this augmented reality mobile app.

### General

- **Battling Fake News in the Classroom** - [Resource Link](#)
- **8 Ways to Create Videos on Chromebooks** - [Resource Link](#) - Great options for student projects or teacher use.
- **The All New Google Sites for Schools Video Tutorial** - [Resource Link](#) - Learn how you or your students can use the new Google Sites to create webpages for class, projects, e-portfolios, and more.