



CALIFORNIA ON MY HONOR

Suggested Books for Civics-Themed Lessons

Book Title	Annotation	Author	Publisher	ISBN#	Grade Level													
					K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
A "Mice" Way to Learn About Government: A Curriculum Guide	A teacher curriculum guide for the "Mice Way To Learn About Government" series on the three branches of government.	Peter Barnes	VSP Books	9.78189E+12				x	x	x	x							
A Boy Named FDR: How Franklin D. Roosevelt Grew Up to Change America	Picture-book biography tracing FDR's path from birth and schooling into public life.	Kathleen Krull	Knopf Books for Young Readers	9.78038E+12				x	x	x								
A Fence Away from Freedom	Shortly after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, nearly 120,000 Japanese-Americans, many of whom had been born in the U.S., were taken from their homes, by order of the government, and moved to makeshift facilities called "relocation camps."	Ellen Levine	Putnam Juvenile	9.7804E+12								x	x	x	x	x	x	x
A Kid's Guide to America's Bill of Rights: Curfews, Censorship, and the 100-Pound Giant	Packed with anecdotes, case studies, and humorous illustrations this book brings a little understood topic vividly to life.	Kathleen Krull	HarperCollins	9.78038E+12						x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
A Patent Lie	A gripping inside look at high-stakes lawyering.	Paul Goldstein	Knopf Doubleday	9.78031E+12										x	x	x	x	x



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A Woman for President: The Story of Victoria Woodhull	The story of Victoria Woodhull, the first woman to mount a campaign for U.S. Presidency in 1872, to hold a seat on the stock exchange, to speak before Congress and to own a newspaper.	Kathleen Krull	Walker Books for Young Readers	9.7808E+12				x	x	x	x	x								
America Is...	Patriotic picture book defining aspects of the nation, from the flag's symbolism to the country's ethnic diversity.	Louise Borden	Simon & Shuster	9.78142E+12	x	x	x	x												
America: A Patriotic Primer	This book takes kids on a tour through the alphabet to teach them the history, values, tenacity, and faith of the American people.	Lynne Cheney	Simon & Shuster	9.78069E+12	x	x	x	x												
America: The Making of a Nation	Revealed through the lens of an anonymous journal, readers will take a chronological journey through watershed moments of American History, from the Declaration of Independence through current events of the 21st century.	Charlie Samuels	LB Kids	9.78032E+12				x	x	x	x									
America's Constitution: A Biography	This "biography" of America's framing document explains not only what the Constitution says but also why the Constitution says it.	Akhil Reed Amar	Random House	9.78081E+12													x	x	x	x



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American Revolution for Kids: A History with 21 Activities	Recounts the dramatic events that lay behind the Founding Fathers' struggle for liberty.	Janis Herbert	Chicago Review Press	9.78156E+12				x	x	x	x	x					
Can't You Make Them Behave, King George?	This entertaining volume sheds light on the life of England's King George III including his role in the American Revolution.	Jean Fritz	Puffin	9.7807E+12				x	x	x	x	x					
Cecil Poole: A Life in the Law	Describes the life of Cecil Poole, the first African American U.S. Attorney in the continental US and the first black judge of the U.S. District Court of the Northern District of California.	James Haskins	Ninth Judicial Circuit Historical Society	9.78096E+12												x	x
Constitution Translated for Kids	A sentence-by-sentence, article-by-article interpretation of the Constitution in simple language.	Cathy Travis	Ovation Books	9.78098E+12				x	x	x	x	x					
Creative Drama in the Classroom & Beyond	Helps future teachers integrate drama into elementary school classrooms and introduces students to a variety of genres and strategies, including mime and improvisation.	Nellie McCaslin	Allyn & Bacon	9.78021E+12													



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David Goes to School	An entertaining, laugh-out-loud romp from the beginning of class to the end of the day, David's activities include chewing gum and engaging in a food fight, causing his teacher to say over and over, "No, David!"	David Shannon	Scholastic, Inc.	9.78059E+12	x	x	x	x												
Democracy and Education	In this landmark work on public education, Dewey discusses methods of providing quality public education in a democratic society.	John Dewey	Barnes & Noble	9.78076E+12																
Do Unto Otters: A Book About Manners	Highlights how to be a good friend and neighbor by just following the Golden Rule.	Laurie Keller	Holt, Henry & Co.	9.78031E+12	x	x	x	x												
Educating for Democracy: Preparing Undergraduates for Responsible Political Engagement	In this book, the authors show that education for political developments can increase students' political understanding, skill, motivation, and involvement while contributing to many aspects of general academic learning.	Anne Colby	Jossey-Bass	9.78079E+12																
Errors and Omissions	A masterful novel of legal and moral suspense that draws on historical fact and legal scholarship.	Paul Goldstein	Knopf Doubleday	9.78031E+12													x	x	x	x



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Freedom's Children: Young Civil Rights Activists Tell Their Own Stories	Firsthand accounts by 30 young African Americans of their participation in the Civil Right movement of the 1960s.	Ellen Levine	Puffin	9.7807E+12									x	x	x	x	x	x
Freedom's Sons: The True Story of the Amistad Mutiny	The extraordinary true story of the only successful slave revolt in American history.	Suzanne Jurmain	HarperCollins	9.78069E+12					x	x	x	x	x					
George Did It	A factual, focused, and entertaining account of the making of the nation's first president.	Suzanne Jurmain	Puffin	9.78014E+12			x	x	x									
Great Lawyers Coloring Book	Coloring Book	David Brownell	Bellerophon Books	9.78088E+12				x	x	x	x							
Henry's Freedom Box	This picture book briefly relates the story of Henry "Box" Brown's daring escape from slavery.	Ellen Levine	Scholastic, Inc.	9.78044E+12				x	x	x								
Hooked on Drug Court	This novel delivers a realistic and compelling view of one girl's roller-coaster journey to self-discovery in Juvenile Drug Court. Ideal for readers interested in parenting issues, innovative court practices, recovery, and forgiveness.	Lynn Duryee	CreateSpace	9.78145E+12											x	x	x	x



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House Mouse, Senate Mouse	Children learn about how laws are made in Congress, when the Speaker of the House and the Senate Mouse-jority muss pass a bill to establish a national cheese.	Peter W. Barnes	Scholastic, Inc.	9.78044E+12	x	x	x	x										
How the Courts Work: A Plain English Explanation of the American Legal System	Provides a straightforward explanation of the American court system, taking the reader step by step through both a civil and criminal trial; revealing what actually happens in a courtroom from the perspective of the lawyers, the parties, and the judge.	Marilyn Englander	Vandeplas Publishing	9.7816E+12													x	x
If The World Were a Village: A Book about the World's People	Thought-provoking and highly effective, this world-in-miniature opens eyes to a wider view of our planet and its human inhabitants.	David Smith	Kids Can Press	9.78155E+12	x	x	x											
If You Were There When They Signed the Constitution	In a lively question and answer format, readers are taken behind the locked doors of the Philadelphia State House during the dramatic Constitutional Convention.	Elizabeth Levy	Scholastic Paperbacks	9.78059E+12				x	x	x	x							



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Let It Begin Here!: Lexington & Concord: First Battles of the American Revolution	Although brief, this book contains an informative description of the opening short of the American Revolution, utilizing an hour-by-hour account of the events of April 18 and 19, 1775.	Dennis Brindell Fradin	Walker Books for Young Readers	9.7808E+12		x	x	x	x									
Lincoln & Douglass: An American Friendship	This book offers a glimpse into the unusual friendship between two great American leaders at a time when racial tensions were high and racial equality was not yet established.	Nikki Giovanni	Henry Holt and Co.	9.78081E+12	x	x	x	x										
Lincoln Tells a Joke: How Laughter Saved the President (and the Country)	Biography of one of America's greatest presidents, focusing on his use of wit and humor, and his love of language.	Kathleen Krull	Harcourt Children's Books	9.78015E+12		x	x	x	x	x								
Lives of the Presidents: Fame, Shame (and What the Neighbors Thought)	Accompanied by spirited watercolor cartoons, this book presents our presidents as human beings first and figureheads second.	Kathleen Krull	Harcourt Children's Books	9.78055E+12					x	x	x	x						



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Madam President: The Extraordinary, True (and Evolving) Story of Women in Politics	The story of the evolving role of women in politics, with short biographies of 23 politically influential trailblazers.	Catherine Thimmesh	Sandpiper	9.78062E+12				x	x	x	x	x						
Marshall, the Courthouse Mouse: A Tail of the Supreme Court	Describes the history and workings of the Supreme Court and the process of trial, discussion, research, and decision making.	Peter & Cheryl Barnes	VSP Books	9.78096E+12				x	x									
Meet My Grandmother: She's a Supreme Court Justice	Spend some time with Associate Justice Sandra Day O'Connor and her granddaughter Courtney as they explore the Supreme Court and tour Washington D.C.	Lisa McElroy	Millbrook Press	9.78076E+12		x	x	x	x									
My Fellow Americans: A Family Album	In this illustrated "family album", a unique glimpse is offered of the people who shaped America, from Pocahontas to Edgar Allen Poe to Martin Luther King Jr.	Alice Provensen	Harcourt Children's Books	9.78015E+12				x	x	x	x							



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No, David!	A young boy is depicted doing a variety of naughty things for which he is repeatedly admonished, but finally he gets a hug.	David Shannon	Scholastic, Inc.	9.78842E+12	x	x	x	x											
Oh Say! Can You See?	Taking a look at the history of America's National Anthem, each spread focuses on one line from this beloved favorite and is brought to life with photographs of America today.	Francis Scott Key	Make Believe Ideas	9.78185E+12	x	x	x	x											
One L: The Turbulent True Story of a First Year at Harvard Law School	An account of the author's first year at Harvard Law School, including its humiliations, triumphs, hazing, betrayals, and challenges.	Scott Turow	Grand Central	9.78045E+12												x	x	x	x
Only Passing Through: The Story of Sojourner Truth	The powerful picture book biography of a woman, born a slave, who transformed herself into one of the most powerful voices of the abolitionist movement.	Anne Rockwell	Random House	9.78044E+12	x	x	x	x											
Our Abe Lincoln	Lincoln's Life is depicted in the singsong verse through the framing device of students performing a grade-school play.	Jim Aylesworth	Scholastic Press	9.78044E+12	x	x	x	x											



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Serving on a Jury (True Books: Civics)	Ideal for today's young investigative reader, featuring lively sidebars, a glossary and index, plus a comprehensive "To Find Out More" section listing books, organizations, and Internet sites.	Sarah De Capua	Children's Press	9.78052E+12				x	x	x	x							
Shh! We're Writing the Constitution	This factual work chronicles the hot summer of 1787 where fifty-five delegates from thirteen states huddles together in the strictest secrecy in Philadelphia to draw up the constitution of the United States.	Jean Fritz	Puffin	9.7807E+12				x	x	x	x	x						
Smart About the Presidents (Smart About History)	Children discover the floor plan of the White House, a list of presidential perks, and lots of interesting info about all the presidents, from George Washington to Barack Obama.	Jon Buller	Grosset & Dunlap	9.78045E+12	x	x	x	x										
So You Want To Be President	Each chapter presents a test or a challenge to see if you have what it takes to become the President of the United States.	John Warner	TOW Books	9.78158E+12										x	x	x	x	



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Social Studies on the Internet	Houses over 500 gateway websites to advance the technology of K-12 social studies teachers.	Michael J. Berson	Prentice Hall	9.78013E+12															
Step into the Courtroom: An Overview of Laws, Courts and Jury Trials	This book takes the mystery out of the legal system in America as it deals primarily with how laws are applied in the whole of society, how laws are interpreted, and how justice is carried out in our courts of law.	Carrie Weiss	Dandy Lion Publications	9.78188E+12				x	x	x	x								
Stone Soup	Three wise monks trick a poor, frightened community into finding happiness by teaching them the magic of generosity.	Jon J Muth	Scholastic Press	9.78044E+12	x	x	x												
The Appeal	A story of political and legal intrigue that will leave readers unable to think about our electoral process or judicial system in quite the same way ever again.	John Grisham	Dell	9.78044E+12										x	x	x	x		
The Chief of Justice of the Supreme Court	Takes a thorough look at the Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court, including the history of the office and how the work relates to that of other government offices.	Heather DeJohn	Cengage Gale	9.78157E+12				x	x	x	x								



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The Constitution of the United States (American Government in Action)	Describes the history and importance of the United States Constitution and how it is applied to decision making and laws in America.	Karen Judson	Enslow Publishers	9.78089E+12									x	x	x	x		
The Forbidden Schoolhouse: The True and Dramatic Story of Prudence Crandall and Her Students	Describes the difficulties Crandall faced when opening a school for African-American females in Canterbury, CT including resistance in the form of riots, arson, and a jail sentence.	Suzanne Jurmain	Houghton Mifflin Books for Children	9.78062E+12									x	x	x			
The Gault Case: Legal Rights for Young People	This books deals with the rights of teens in the court system; explaining important legal concepts and their historical bases.	Thomas J. Billitteri	Enslow Publishers	9.78077E+12									x	x	x	x	x	x
The Real Revolution: The Global Story of American Independence	This narrative provides a multi-layered portrait of how our nation came to be, while discovering anew the themes, images, and fascinating personalities that run through our entire history.	Marc Aronson	Clarion Books	9.78062E+12											x	x	x	x



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There Comes a Time: The Struggle for Civil Rights	Author Milton Meltzer outlines the struggle of African Americans for "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness," starting with the landing of the first slave ships on colonial shores.	Milton Meltzer	Random House Books for Young Readers	9.78038E+12						x	x	x	x						
Time for Kids: Presidents of the United States	This reference book teaches about the Presidents' childhoods, careers, accomplishments in office, and life after the White House.	Editors Of Time For Kids	Collins	9.78006E+12					x	x	x	x	x						
Traitor: The Case of Benedict Arnold	A study of the life and character of the brilliant Revolutionary War general who deserted to the British for money.	Jean Fritz	Puffin	9.7807E+12					x	x	x	x							
Travels with Charley in Search of America	John Steinbeck chronicles his attempts, as he travels from Long Island to California and back, to define what it is to be American. In the end, he concedes failure.	John Steinbeck	Penguin (Non-Classics)	9.78014E+12								x	x	x					
Uncle Sam's America	Recounts America's past through Uncle Sam's eyes, celebrating the fortitude and ingenuity that are the hallmarks of this national symbol.	David Hewitt	Simon & Shuster	9.78142E+12					x	x	x	x	x						



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Vote!: The Complicated Life of Claudia Cristina Cortez	These honest and humorous narratives, told by Claudia herself, give readers a glimpse into the life of a regular 21st-century girl.	Diana Gallagher	Stone Arch Books	9.78143E+12				x	x	x	x	x						
We the Kids: The Preamble to the Constitution of the United States	Witty picture book showing ways to have happiness, safety, and comfort with the actual words of the Preamble as the text.	David Catrow	Puffin	9.78014E+12	x	x	x											
We The People: The Story of our Constitution	Lynne Cheney simply and succinctly outlines the obstacles faced in 1778 by the new nation in keeping it from falling apart.	Lynne Cheney	Simon & Shuster	9.78142E+12		x	x	x	x	x								
Wee Sing America	Children will get to sing along with these classic songs from America's past while learning fascinating facts about our great country, from sea to shining sea.	Pamela Conn Beall	Price Stern Sloan	9.78084E+12	x	x	x	x										
What Can you Do with a Paper Bag?	Engaging activity book for both home and classroom, inspired by works of art from The Metropolitan Museum of Art.	Judith Cressy	Chronicle Books	9.78081E+12	x	x	x	x										
Whirligig	After a drunk teenage boy kills a girl while driving, his life is transformed by fulfilling a request of the girl's mother.	Paul Fleischman	Laurel Leaf	9.78044E+12									x	x	x	x	x	x



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Why War is Never a Good Idea	From the frogs in the pond to the boy on the straw pile, unsuspecting, innocent creatures of the earth feel the sometimes subtle yet long-lasting effects of war.	Alice Walker	HarperCollins	9.78006E+12	x	x	x	x												
Woodrow for President: A Tail of Voting, Campaigns, and Elections	Tells the story of how Woodrow G. Washingtall got to the White House. The book explains the electoral process to children in fun, rhyming verse.	Peter Barnes	VSP Books	9.78189E+12	x	x	x													
World Without End	Sequel to The Pillars of the Earth where its prior finds himself at the center of a web of ambition and revenge that places the city at a crossroads of commerce, medicine, and architecture.	Ken Follett	NAL Trade	9.78045E+12													x	x	x	x
You Want Women to Vote, Lizzie Stanton?	An objective depiction of Stanton's life and times and her work for women's rights accompanied by full-page black-and-white drawings.	Jean Fritz	Puffin	9.7807E+12				x	x	x	x									



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Rabble Rousers: 20 Women Who Made a Difference	9.78053E+12
Ruth Bader Ginsburg (Women of Achievement)	9.78079E+12
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The Presidency of the United States	9.78089E+12
The Scopes Monkey Trial: A Headline Court Case	9.78077E+12
The Star-Spangled Banner	9.78082E+12
The Supreme Court of the United States (American Government in Action)	9.78089E+12
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