**Changing America Selected Books for Adult Readers**

**Emancipation Proclamation**

Carnahan, Burrus. *Act of Justice: Emancipation Proclamation and the Law of War.* The University Press of Kentucky, 2011.

Guelzo Allen C. *Lincoln’s Emancipation Proclamation: The End of Slavery in America*. Simon & Schuster, 2004.

Holzer, Harold. Emancipating Lincoln: The Proclamation in Text, Context, and Memory. Harvard University Press, 2012.

Holzer, Harold, Edna Greene Medford, and Frank J. Williams. *The Emancipation Proclamation: Three Views.* Louisiana State University Press, 2006.

Holzer, Harold and Sara Vaughn Gabbard, eds. *1863: Lincoln’s Pivotal Year*. Southern Illinois University Press, 2013.

Vorenberg, Michael. *The Emancipation Proclamation: A Brief History with Documents.*Bedford/St. Martin’s, 2010.

Widmer, Ted, ed. *The New York Times: Disunion: Modern Scholars and Historians Revisit and Reconsider the Civil War from Fort Sumter to the Emancipation Proclamation*. Black Dog & Leventhal Publishers, Inc., 2013.

**Abraham Lincoln**

Belz, Herman. *Abraham Lincoln: Constitutionalism and Equal Rights in the Civil War Era*. Fordham University Press, 1998.

Carwardine, Richard J. *Lincoln: A Life of Purpose and Power*. Alfred A. Knopf, 2006.

Cox, Lawanda C. Fenlason. *Lincoln and Black Freedom: A Study in Presidential Leadership*. University of South Carolina Press, 1994.

Donald, David Herbert. *Lincoln*. Touchstone Books, 1996.

Fehrenbacher, Don E., ed. *Abraham Lincoln: Speeches and Writings*, 2 vols. Library of America, 1989.

Goodwin, Doris Kearns. *Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln*. Simon & Schuster, 2005.

Klingaman, William K. *Abraham Lincoln and the Road to Emancipation*. Reissue edition, Penguin USA, 2002.

Lincoln, Abraham. *Lincoln on the Civil War: Selected Speeches.*Penguin, 2011.

Neely, Mark E., Jr. *The Fate of Liberty: Abraham Lincoln and Civil Liberties*. Oxford University Press, 1992. (reprint).

Rubenstein, Harry R. and The National Museum of American History.  *Abraham Lincoln: An Extraordinary Life.*Smithsonian Institution Press, 2009.

White, Ronald C. *A. Lincoln: A Biography*. Random House, 2009.

**Civil War and Slavery**

Berlin, Ira, et al. *Slaves No More: Three Essays on Emancipation and the Civil War*. Cambridge University Press, 1992.

Blight, David W. *Race and Reunion: The Civil War in American Memory*. Belknap Press, 2001.

Blight, David W. *American Oracle: The Civil War in the Civil Rights Era.*Belknap Press, 2011.

Escott, Paul D. *“What Shall We Do with the Negro?” Lincoln, White Racism, and Civil War America*. University of Virginia Press, 2009.

Holzer, Harold. *Lincoln on War.* Algonquin Books, 2011.

Holzer, Harold. *The Lincoln-Douglas Debates*. Harper Collins, 1993.

Lowance, Mason I., Jr., ed. *Against Slavery: An Abolitionist Reader*. Penguin USA, 2000.

McPherson, James. *The Negro’s Civil War: How American Blacks Felt and Acted During the War for the Union.* Vintage, 2003.

Miller, William Lee. *Arguing About Slavery: The Great Battle in the United States Congress*. Knopf, 1996.

Potter, David Morris, and Don E. Fehrenbacher. *The Impending Crisis*. HarperCollins, 1976.

**March on Washington**

Carson, Clayborne, ed. *Reporting Civil Rights.*Library of America, 2013.

Euchner, Charles. *Nobody Turn Me Around.A People’s History of the 1963 March on Washington.*Beacon Press, 2011.

Freed, Leonard and Michael Eric Dyson. *This is the Day: The March on Washington.*J. Paul Getty Museum, 2013.

Hansen, Drew. *Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Speech that Inspired a Nation.*Harper Collins, 2005.

Haskins, James. *The March on Washington.* Just us Books, 2004.

Jones, William P. *The March on Washington: Jobs, Freedom, and the Forgotten History of Civil Rights.*W.W. Norton & Company, 2013.

Kelley, Kitty. *Let Freedom Ring: Stanley Tretick’s Iconic Images of the March on Washington.* St. Martin’s Press, 2013.

Younge, Gary. *The Speech: The Story Behind Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.’s Dream.* Haymarket Books, 2013.

**Martin Luther King, Jr.**

Carson, Clayborne, ed. *The Autobiography of Martin Luther King, Jr.*Warner Books, reprint edition, 2001.

Frady, Marshall. *Martin Luther King, Jr.: A Life.* Penguin Books, 2005.

King, Coretta Scott. *The Words of Martin Luther King, Jr.* Newmarket Press, 1984.

King, Jr. Martin Luther. *I Have a Dream.*1963.

King, Jr., Martin Luther. *Letter from Birmingham Jail.* 1963.

King, Jr., Martin Luther. *Strength to Love.* Fortress Press, 1977.

King, Jr., Martin Luther. *Where Do We Go From Here: Chaos or Community?*Beacon Press, 1968.

King, Jr., Martin Luther. *Why We Can’t Wait.* Harper and Row, 1964.

Kirk, John A. *Martin Luther King, Jr.: Profiles in Power.* Routledge, 2004.

Washington, James, ed. *A Testament of Hope: The Essential Writings and Speeches of Martin Luther King, Jr.* Harper One, reprint edition, 2003.

**Civil Rights Leadership**

*Bayard Rustin*

D’Emilio, John. *Lost Prophet: The Life and Times of Bayard Rustin.* University of Chicago Press, 2003.Podair, Jerald E. *Bayard Rustin: American Dreamer.*Rowman and Littlefield Publishers, 2009.

Rustin, Bayard. *Time of Two Crosses: The Collected Writings of Bayard Rustin.*Cleis Press, 2003.

*John Lewis*

Lewis, John. *Walking with the Wind: A Memoir of the Movement.* Simon and Schuster, 1998.

Lewis, John and Andrew Aydin. *March.* Top Shelf Productions, 2013.

*A. Philip Randolph*

Anderson, Jervis. *A. Philip Randolph: A Biographical Portrait.* University of California Press, 1973.

Kersten, Andrew. *A. Philip Randolph: A Life in the Vanguard.* Rowman and Littlefield Publishers, 2006.

Pfeffer, Paula F. *A. Philip Randolph: Pioneer of the Civil Rights Movement.*Louisiana State University Press, 1996.

*Whitney Young*

Dickerson, Dennis C. *Militant Mediator: Whitney M. Young, Jr.*University Press of Kentucky, 2004.

Weiss, Nancy J. *Whitney M. Young, Jr. and the Struggle for Civil Rights.*Princeton University Press, 1990.

Young, Jr., Whitney M. *Beyond Racism.* McGraw-Hill, 1969.

Young, Jr., Whitney M. *To Be Equal.*McGraw-Hill, 1964.

# Changing America Selected Readings for Younger Audiences

Armstrong, Jennifer. Steal Away. Orchard Books, 1992. ALA Notable Book.

Banks, Joan. The U.S. Constitution. Chelsea House Publishers, 2001.

Burchard, Peter. Lincoln and Slavery. Athenaeum, 1999.

Clark, Willow. The True Story of the Emancipation Proclamation. Rosen Publishing Group, 2013.

Cook, Michelle. Our Children can Soar: A Celebration of Rosa, Barack, and Pioneers of Change. Bloomsbury Publishing, 2013.

D’Aulaire,Ingri and Edgar Parin. Abraham Lincoln. Doubleday and Co, Inc., 1939. Winner of the 1940 Caldecott Award.

Deutsch, Stacia, and Rhody Cohon. Lincoln’s Legacy. Illus by David Wenzel. Aladdin, paper, 2005.

Douglass, Frederick. (Michael McCurdy, ed.) Escape from Slavery: The Boyhood of Frederick Douglass in His Own Words. Knopf, 1994.

Evans, Shane. We March. Roaring Book Press, 2012.

Freed, Leonard. This is the Day: The March on Washington. J. Paul Getty Museum, 2013.

Freedman, Russell. Lincoln: A Photobiography. Clarion Books, 1987. Newbery Medal Winner in 1988.

Hamilton, Virginia. Many Thousand Gone: African Americans from Slavery to Freedom. Alfred A. Knopf, 1993.

Haskins, James. John Lewis in the Lead: The Story of the Civil Rights Movement. Lee & Low, 2006.

Herbert, Janis. The Civil War for Kids: A History With 21 Activities. Chicago Review Press, 1999.

January, Brendan. The Emancipation Proclamation (Cornerstones of Freedom). Children’s Press, 1997.

Jeffrey, Gary. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the March on Washington. Gareth Stevens Publishers, 2012.

Johnson, Robin. March on Washington. Crabtree Publishing Company, 2013.

King, Jr., Martin Luther. I Have a Dream. Schwartz & Wade Books, 2012.

King Farris, Christine. March On! The Day My Brother Changed the World.Scholastic Press, 2008.

Krull, Kathleen. What Was the March on Washington? Grosset & Dunlap, 2013.

Lyons, Kelly Starling. Hope’s Gift. Penguin, 2012.

Marrin, Albert. Commander in Chief Abraham Lincoln and the Civil War. Dutton’s Children’s Books, 2003.

McComb, Marianne. The Emancipation Proclamation. National Geographic, 2006.

McKissack, Patricia, and Arlene Zarembka. To Establish Justice: Citizenship and the Constitution. Knopf, 2004.

McKissack, Patricia, and Fredrick L. McKissack. Days of Jubilee: The End of Slavery in the United States. Scholastic, 2003.

Meltzer, Milton, ed. Voices from the Civil War: A Documentary History of the Great American Conflict. Thomas Y. Crowell, 1989.

Miller, William. Frederick Douglass: The Last Day of Slavery. Lee & Low Books, 1995.

Pinkney, Andrea Davis. Abraham Lincoln: Letters from a Slave Girl (Dear Mr. President). Winslow Press, 2001.

Ruffin, Frances E. Martin Luther King, Jr. and the March on Washington.Grosset and Dunlap, 2001.

Sherman, Patrice. Ben and the Emancipation Proclamation. Eerdmans Books for Young Readers, 2009.

Shorto, Russell. Abraham Lincoln and the End of Slavery. Gateway Civil Rights. Millbrook Press, 1991.

Stevenson, Augusta. Abraham Lincoln: The Great Emancipator (Childhood of Famous Americans Series.) Aladdin Library, 1986.

Whelan, Gloria and Gwenyth Swain. Voices for Freedom. Sleeping Bear Press, 2013.

Winters, Robert. Freedom from Unfair Searches and Seizures. Greenhaven Press, 2006.

# Changing America Classroom Resources

Lessons below are from [www.edsitement.neh.gov](http://www.edsitement.neh.gov/)

**Grades 9–12: The Emancipation Proclamation: Freedom's First Steps**<http://edsitement.neh.gov/lesson-plan/emancipation-proclamation-freedoms-first-steps>  
Through examination of the original document, related writings of Lincoln as well as little known first person accounts of African Americans during the war, students can return to this "first step" and explore the obstacles and alternatives we faced in making the journey toward “a more perfect Union.”

**Grades 9–12: Abraham Lincoln and Wartime Politics**  
<http://edsitement.neh.gov/lesson-plan/abraham-lincoln-and-wartime-politics>  
This lesson will look at these issues and examine Abraham Lincoln's role as a wartime president. Through an examination of primary documents, students will focus on Lincoln's suspension of habeas corpus, the Emancipation Proclamation, his decision to arm the freed slaves, his refusal to accept a compromise peace with the South, and the election of 1864.

**Grades K-12: Dr. King’s Dream**

<http://edsitement.neh.gov/lesson-plan/dr-kings-dream#sect-thelesson>

In this lesson, students will learn about the life and work of civil rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr. Students will listen to a brief biography, view photographs of the March on Washington, hear a portion of King's "I Have a Dream" speech, and discuss what King's words mean to them. Finally, they will create picture books about their own dreams of freedom for Americans today.

**Grades 6-8: Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Power of Non-Violence**<http://edsitement.neh.gov/lesson-plan/martin-luther-king-jr-and-power-nonviolence#sect-introduction>

This lesson introduces students to Martin Luther King, Jr.'s philosophy of nonviolence and the teachings of Mohandas K. Gandhi that influenced King's views. After considering the political impact of this philosophy, students explore its relevance to personal life.

**Grades 9-12: Ordinary People, Ordinary Places: The Civil Rights Movement**

<http://edsitement.neh.gov/lesson-plan/ordinary-people-ordinary-places-civil-rights-movement>

This lesson will focus on the individual men and women who embraced King’s message and advanced the Civil Rights Movement on a local level. By researching these people and the now historic places where they brought about change, students will discover how the simple act of sitting at a lunch counter in North Carolina could be considered revolutionary, and how, combined with countless other acts of nonviolent protest across the nation, it could lead to major legislation in the area of civil rights for African Americans.

Other classroom resources on the web:

**Changing America** **Exhibition Resources for Teachers**

<http://americanhistory.si.edu/changing-america-emancipation-proclamation-1863-and-march-washington-1963/teacher-resources>

The Smithsonian’s National Museum of American History provides of variety of teacher resources related to the exhibition, Changing America: The Emancipation Proclamation, 1863 and the March on Washington, 1963.

**Grades 6–8: The Civil War through a Child’s Eye**<http://www.loc.gov/teachers/classroommaterials/lessons/childs-eye/>  
Students will learn to differentiate between primary and secondary source materials as they explore perspectives of the Civil War; understand multiple perspectives of the Civil War through the use of historical fiction; analyze and interpret images from the Library of Congress American Memory collections; make inferences about how children were affected by the Civil War; and create a literary portrait that conveys a child’s perspective of the Civil War era.

**Grades 3-8: Crafting Freedom website**[http://www.craftingfreedom.org/#](http://www.craftingfreedom.org/)

The Crafting Freedom website provides educators with a resource on the African-American experience during the era of slavery, including lesson plans, videos, PDF slide shows, and teacher tools.

**The Civil War Trust Lesson Plans**

<http://www.civilwar.org/education/history/emancipation-150/emancipation-proclamation.html>

The Civil War Trust provides a variety of lesson plans related to the Emancipation Proclamation.

**Grades 6-8: The Emancipation Proclamation Through Different Eyes**<http://www.gilderlehrman.org/history-by-era/african-americans-and-emancipation/resources/emancipation-proclamation-through-differ>

In this lesson students will be asked to analyze the Emancipation Proclamation and then view it through the lens of different segments of the population at the time it was passed. At the conclusion of the lesson, students will be asked to determine if the document deserves to be called one of the greatest in US history.

**PBS Lesson Plans related to the March on Washington**

<http://www.pbs.org/newshour/extra/2013/08/8-resources-for-teaching-the-50th-anniversary-of-the-march-on-washington/>

PBS website offers a variety of lessons plans to assist in teaching about the history of the civil rights movement and the ongoing effects of racial discrimination in America.

**NEA -- Teaching about the 1963 March on Washington**

<http://www.nea.org/tools/lessons/teaching-march-on-washington.html>

The National Education Association offers a variety of lessons, background resources, audios, and videos to assist in teaching about the March on Washington.