Recommended Curriculum Resources
Dear International School Educator,

With the current challenges of school closures due to health concerns and in response to the ongoing challenges international schools face such as faculty turnover, professional learning need, and accessing relevant curriculum resources, the **ISS Recommended Curriculum Resources** is meant to offer practical learning, teaching and curriculum support. The listed resources are not meant to supplant teacher leadership and decisions in crafting lessons or curriculum. Rather, we profile these because we know that sometimes schools urgently need immediately accessible curriculum resources and well developed professional learning roadmaps and tools. So, we offer the following online resource recommendations to support your work.

As you utilize this guide, please note the “curriculum in your hands” resources in this document are highlighted in yellow. These represent curriculum units of study, lesson plans and digital text sources which you can easily access online and use and share with colleagues and students immediately. Most often, these are free.

International Schools Services advocates teacher leadership, ownership and collaboration in designing, refining, and reviewing curriculum. Using the *Understanding by Design* process, our teachers develop standards-based and responsive curriculum for students. Thus, I have included some information about the UbD processes and stages of curriculum development in this resource to guide your efforts in developing or refining curriculum (whether online or as part of your in classroom learning and teaching efforts) for context and to support your discernment.

In addition to the ISS RCR, please check out the **ISS Open Book** at [http://lauraopenbook.strikingly.com](http://lauraopenbook.strikingly.com). Don’t hesitate to let me know if you have additional curriculum recommendations to improve the *ISS IRC* or suggestions for revisions, too. Together, we can make this resource practical, relevant, and agile to serve a variety of learning and teaching needs. Thank you very much!

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**Advanced Placement/AP**

*Contact AP directly for guidance with your school’s instructional timelines, etc. for students.*

**College Board Advanced Placement/AP Professional Learning and Information Links**
- [http://apcentral.collegeboard.com/InstitutesAndWorkshops](http://apcentral.collegeboard.com/InstitutesAndWorkshops)

**Khan Academy**
- [https://www.khanacademy.org](https://www.khanacademy.org)

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*Thank you!*
Art Curriculum Resources

Annenberg Learner:
Model Lesson Plans for Grades K-2, Grades 3-5, Grades 6-8, and Grades 9-12
https://www.learner.org/search/?_sft_series-type=classroom-resources&_sf_s=Art

Brain POP
https://www.brainpop.com

Khan Academy
https://www.khanacademy.org
*Click on “Courses” link (upper left on webpage) to access a list of their content and specific courses.

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Counseling Curriculum Resources

Social Emotional Learning:

Social Emotional Learning Parent Education:
https://casel.org/in-the-home/
https://www.edutopia.org/social-emotional-learning-parent-resources
https://www.cfchildren.org/blog/2018/09/lets-talk-sel-parents-this-is-for-you/
https://www2.ed.gov/parents/academic/help/adolescence/part7.html
https://childmind.org/article/tips-communicating-with-teen/
https://childmind.org/article/tips-communicating-with-teen/

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Creativity, Innovation and Technology Curriculum Resources

*Please also see Level 5 for professional learning opportunities and collaborations: http://www.thelevel5.org

Ed. Tech Framework for Schools ~ Authored by Tosca Killoran
http://edtechframework4schools.weebly.com

ISTE STANDARDS for Students
https://www.iste.org/standards/standards/for-students

ISTE Standards for Teachers
https://www.iste.org/docs/pdfs/20-14_ISTE_Standards-T_PDF.pdf

Brain POP
https://www.brainpop.com

Khan Academy
https://www.khanacademy.org
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Early Childhood Curriculum Resources

The Creative Curriculum for Preschool

EngageNY
https://www.engageny.org/resource/preschool-visual-component-guide

HighScope
https://highscope.org

New Zealand Ministry of Education
http://www.education.govt.nz/early-childhood/

Ontario, Canada

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English Language Learners (ELL, EAL, ESL) and World Languages Curriculum Resources

- **Annenberg Learner**: Model Lesson Plans for Grades K-2, Grades 3-5, Grades 6-8, and Grades 9-12
  https://www.learner.org/resources/lessonplanbrowse.html?disciplines%5B%5D=FL&page=1&per_page=20&query=

- **Oakland Schools ~ ESL**

- **Oakland Schools ~ World Languages**
To support students’ growing language learning, encourage your students to talk with one another often during school breaks or closures. A key way to encourage continued dialogue between your students is to create a class blog and/or online conversations. Stir up these conversations with questions and quotes. Let students lead discussions whenever possible. Post and read a short and spirited text together as a community and talk about as a book club online (or via video conferencing, if possible).

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Literacy/Language Arts/English Curriculum Resources

ELEMENTARY LANGUAGE ARTS/LITERACY RESOURCES

- **Achieve the Core**
  
  
  “Lessons designed to highlight the ELA/literacy Shifts and expectations of college- and career-ready standards”; Site offers K – 12 literacy lessons, assessments, and student writing samples.

- **Annenberg Learner: Model Language Arts Lesson Plans for Grades K - 2 and Grades 3 – 5**
  
  [https://www.learner.org/resources/lessonplanbrowse.html?disciplines%5B%5D=LANG&page=1&per_page=20&query=](https://www.learner.org/resources/lessonplanbrowse.html?disciplines%5B%5D=LANG&page=1&per_page=20&query=)

- **Annenberg Learner: Model Literature Lesson Plans for Grades K-2 and Grades 3-5**
  
  [https://www.learner.org/resources/lessonplanbrowse.html?disciplines%5B%5D=LIT&page=1&per_page=20&query=](https://www.learner.org/resources/lessonplanbrowse.html?disciplines%5B%5D=LIT&page=1&per_page=20&query=)

- **Collaborative Classroom**
  
  [https://www.collaborativeclassroom.org](https://www.collaborativeclassroom.org)
  
  The Center for the Collaborative Classroom (formerly Developmental Studies Center) has created excellent literacy programs which provide teachers with lessons and even the children's literature texts needed for each lesson. For example, the writing program is called "Being a Writer" and offers a supportive road map of instruction using workshop model (but in very accessible ways including offering teachers videos of what best practice looks like and sounds like). The reading program is called "Making Meaning."

  - Making Meaning
  - Becoming a Writer

- **Common Sense – Lesson Plans** (to grab online)
  

- **EngageNY**
Engage NY has built incredible units of study for both literacy and math. They also have social studies, too, but these tend to be a bit harder to transfer to the international school context. I think you will find this well of curriculum very helpful:

- **Expeditionary Learning**
  [http://curriculum.eleducation.org/curriculum](http://curriculum.eleducation.org/curriculum)

- **Great Minds**
  [https://greatminds.org/resources/?page=4](https://greatminds.org/resources/?page=4)

- **Oakland Schools**

- **Teachers College, Columbia University** ~ Reading Units of Study

- **Teachers College, Columbia University** ~ Writing Units of Study

- **The Common Core Reading Book K - 5** by Gretchen Owocki

- **The Common Core Writing Book K - 5** by Gretchen Owocki

- **The Literacy Playbook Grades K-2: Four Steps for Turning Assessment Data into Goal-Directed Instruction** by Jennifer Serravallo

- **The Literacy Playbook Grades 3 - 6: Four Steps for Turning Assessment Data into Goal-Directed Instruction** by Jennifer Serravallo

- **The Reading Strategies Book**: Your Everything Guide to Developing Skilled Readers by Jennifer Serravallo

- **The Writing Strategies Book: Your Everything Guide to Developing Skilled Writers** by Jennifer Serravallo
SECONDARY LANGUAGE ARTS/LITERACY RESOURCES

- **Achieve the Core**
  https://achievethecore.org/category/411/ela-literacy-lessons
  “Lessons designed to highlight the ELA/literacy Shifts and expectations of college- and career-ready standards”; Site offers K – 12 literacy lessons, assessments, and student writing samples.

- **Annenberg Learner: Model Language Arts Lesson Plans for Grades 6-8 and Grades 9 -12**
  https://www.learner.org/resources/lessonplanbrowse.html?disciplines%5B%5D=LANG&page=1&per_page=20&query=

- **Annenberg Learner: Model Literature Lesson Plans for Grades 6-8 and Grades 9-12**
  https://www.learner.org/resources/lessonplanbrowse.html?disciplines%5B%5D=LIT&page=1&per_page=20&query=

- **Common Sense – Lesson Plans** (to grab online)
  https://www.commonsense.org/education/top-picks/top-websites-for-teachers-to-find-lesson-plans

- **Great Minds**
  https://greatminds.org/resources/?page=4

- **Oakland Schools**

- **The Common Core Reading Book 6 - 8** by Gretchen Owocki

- **The Common Core Writing Book 6 - 8** by Gretchen Owocki

- **Lessons That Change Writers: Lessons with Electronic Binder** by Nancie Atwell

- **The Literacy Playbook Grades 3 - 6: Four Steps for Turning Assessment Data into Goal-Directed Instruction** by Jennifer
Serravallo

- *The Reading Strategies Book*: Your Everything Guide to Developing Skilled Readers by Jennifer Serravallo
- *The Writing Strategies Book*: *Your Everything Guide to Developing Skilled Writers* by Jennifer Serravallo
- Reading Units of Study, Grades 6, 7, & 8 ~ Teachers College, Columbia University/Lucy Calkins
- Writing Units of Study, Grades 6, 7, & 8 ~ Teachers College, Columbia University/Lucy Calkins
- Woodburn Schools, Oregon
  http://www.woodburnsd.org/wsd-curriculum/unit-of-study-by-content/reading/

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING FOR LANGUAGE ARTS/ENGLISH LEARNING AND TEACHING

- **Annenberg Learner**: Workshop Model for Middle School Students [https://www.learner.org/resources/series192.html#](https://www.learner.org/resources/series192.html#)
- **Annenberg Learner**: *Developing Writers: A Workshop for High School Teachers* [https://www.learner.org/resources/series194.html](https://www.learner.org/resources/series194.html)
- **Dorothy Barnhouse’s Blog* To Make a Prairie [https://tomakeaprairie.wordpress.com/2016/12/18/ideas-for-skinning-the-writing-about-reading-cat/](https://tomakeaprairie.wordpress.com/2016/12/18/ideas-for-skinning-the-writing-about-reading-cat/)
- **Choice Literacy** [https://www.choiceliteracy.com](https://www.choiceliteracy.com)
- **International Literacy Association** [https://www.literacyworldwide.org](https://www.literacyworldwide.org)
- **National Council of Teachers of English** [http://www.ncte.org](http://www.ncte.org)
- **Teachers College, Columbia University** ~ The Reading-Writing Project [http://readingandwritingproject.org](http://readingandwritingproject.org)
Children’s Books, Literature and Content Area Texts

A-Z Readers
https://www.learninga-z.com/site/contact
https://www.learninga-z.com/site/products/reading-a-z/overview?gelid=CjwKCAiAjrXxBRAPEmwAim3DQtlOpF36kDGb5KTNZTGW-39jdex2SCVMkJEF6QqsSU8Kw3eq12ODBoCAMcQAvD_BwE

Bank Street Bookstore
https://www.bankstreetbooks.com

Booksource
http://www.booksource.com

Classroom Library
https://www.classroomlibrarycompany.com

Epic!
https://www.getepic.com

Fountas and Pinnell’s Leveled Libraries
https://www.fandpleveledbooks.com
Free Children’s Stories
https://www.freechildrenstories.com

Open Textbook Library
https://open.umn.edu/opentextbooks/

Pebblego
https://pebblego.com

Raz-Kids
https://www.raz-kids.com

Read Gov Kids
http://read.gov/kids/

Reading A-Z
https://www.readinga-z.com
Readers’ Workshop Reading Lists
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Uhb8LWOQ9kxMCK1JdlceD70NNU39FSMrG/view
Book Recommendations ~ Book Gurus

American Library Association
http://www.ala.org

Dr. Carol Wilcox
http://carolwscorner.blogspot.com

Columbia University Teachers College Reading and Writing Project
http://readingandwritingproject.org/resources/book-lists

International Literacy Association ~ Choice Lists
https://literacyworldwide.org/get-resources/reading-lists?utm_source=TW-05022017&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=ThisWeek&utm_content=Story-1

Dr. Nancy Johnson, Western Washington University
http://www.nancyjjohnson.com

Regie Routman
http://www.regieroutman.org

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Math Curriculum Resources

ELEMENTARY MATH CURRICULUM RESOURCES

**Achieve the Core**
Site offers deep wells of K – 12 math lessons, tasks, and assessments

**Annenberg Learner:** Model Lesson Plans for Grades K-2 and Grades 3-5

[https://www.learner.org/resources/lessonplanbrowse.html?disciplines%5B%5D=MATH&page=1&per_page=20&query=](https://www.learner.org/resources/lessonplanbrowse.html?disciplines%5B%5D=MATH&page=1&per_page=20&query=)

**Brain POP**
[https://www.brainpop.com](https://www.brainpop.com)

**Contexts for Learning Mathematics by Cathy Fosnot**
[https://www.heinemann.com/contextsforlearning/](https://www.heinemann.com/contextsforlearning/)

**EngageNY**
[https://www.engageny.org/mathematics](https://www.engageny.org/mathematics)
[https://www.engageny.org/common-core-curriculum](https://www.engageny.org/common-core-curriculum)
Everyday Math  
http://everydaymath.uchicago.edu

Great Minds  
https://greatminds.org/resources/?page=4

Khan Academy  
https://www.khanacademy.org
*Click on “Courses” link (upper left on webpage) to access a list of their content and specific courses.

National Council of Teachers of Mathematics  
http://www.nctm.org

Oakland Schools  

Singapore American School  

SECONDARY MATH CURRICULUM RESOURCES

Achieve the Core  
https://achievethecore.org/category/854/mathematics-lessons
Site offers deep wells of K – 12 math lessons, tasks, and assessments

Annenberg Learner: Model Lesson Plans for Grades 6-8 and Grades 9-12  
https://www.learner.org/resources/lessonplanbrowse.html?disciplines%5B%5D=MATH&page=1&per_page=20&query=

Connected Mathematics
[connectedmath msu.edu/the-math/math-by-unit](https://connectedmath.msu.edu/the-math/math-by-unit/)

**Great Minds**
[https://greatminds.org/resources/?page=4](https://greatminds.org/resources/?page=4)

**Khan Academy**
[https://www.khanacademy.org](https://www.khanacademy.org)
*Click on “Courses” link (upper left on webpage) to access a list of their content and specific courses.*

**National Council of Teachers of Mathematics**
[http://www.nctm.org](http://www.nctm.org)

**Oakland Schools**
PROFESSIONAL LEARNING LINKS FOR MATH LEARNING AND TEACHING

- **Erma Anderson**, Math Consultant

- **Cathy Fosnot**
  (through Heinemann publishers)

- **Curriculum Framer** (Grant Wiggins)

- **The Math Mentors**
  [https://www.themathmentors.com/how-to-use-a-round-robin-in-your-room/](https://www.themathmentors.com/how-to-use-a-round-robin-in-your-room/)

- **Megan Holstrom**, Math Consultant
  [http://pilgrim-school.wixsite.com/summerretreats/facilitators](http://pilgrim-school.wixsite.com/summerretreats/facilitators)

- **The PLACE: Professional Learning and Collaboration Environment**
  [https://place.fi.ncsu.edu/?utm_source=iContactPro&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=The+Friday+Institute+%28.net%29&utm_content=CTD+announcement++sent+to+all+past+participants&vsmaid=133&vcid=2260](https://place.fi.ncsu.edu/?utm_source=iContactPro&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=The+Friday+Institute+%28.net%29&utm_content=CTD+announcement++sent+to+all+past+participants&vsmaid=133&vcid=2260)

- **Stanford University’s YouCubed: Inspiring All Math Learners**
  [https://www.youcubed.org](https://www.youcubed.org)

- **Teach Math Well**

- **YouCubed** – Growth Mindset for Mathematical Mindsets
  [https://www.youcubed.org](https://www.youcubed.org)
**Music Curriculum Resources**

**McGraw Hill** (Note: Note yet vetted. Please share your recommendations.)

**Quaver Music** (Note: Note yet vetted. Please share your recommendations.)
https://www.quavermusic.com/info/quaver-music-curriculum-resources/prek-8-curriculum/

**The Singing Classroom** (Note: Note yet vetted. Please share your recommendations.)
https://thesingingclassroom.com/?utm_source=First%20start%20now%20button%20in%2012%20step%20landing%20page

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Physical Education and Health Curriculum Resources

Society of Health and Physical Educators/SHAPE
http://www.shapeamerica.org/standards/pe/

Brain POP
https://www.brainpop.com

Montgomery County Schools – Health Curriculum
http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/health/middle/

Oakland Schools
PE and Health Academic Standards Sources


CDC  https://www.cdc.gov/healthyschools/sher/standards/index.htm


Ontario, Canada  http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/curriculum/elementary/health.html

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Science Curriculum Resources

ELEMENTARY SCIENCE CURRICULUM RESOURCES

- **Accelerate Learning – STEMscopes**
  https://www.acceleratelearning.com

- **Annenberg Learner**: Model Science Lesson Plans for Grades K-2 and Grades 3-5
  https://www.learner.org/resources/lessonplanbrowse.html?disciplines%5B%5D=SCI&page=1&per_page=20&query=

- **Brain POP**
  https://www.brainpop.com

- **EduTech**
  http://www.edutech.com/higher-education/stem-education/

- **Expeditionary Learning**
  http://curriculum.cleducation.org/curriculum

- **Khan Academy**
  https://www.khanacademy.org
  *Click on “Courses” link (upper left on webpage) to access a list of their content and specific courses.

- **National Science Teachers Association**
  https://ngss.nsta.org/Classroom-Resources.aspx

- **Next Generation Science Standards**
  http://www.nextgenscience.org
http://www.nextgenscience.org/teachers

- **Oakland Schools**

- **14 Books That Connect Students With Valuable Scientists’ Struggles**
  https://ww2.kqed.org/mindshift/2016/05/26/14-books-that-connect-students-with-valuable-scientists-struggles/

**SECONDARY SCIENCE CURRICULUM RESOURCES**

- **Accelerate Learning – STEMscopes**
  https://www.acceleratelearning.com

- **Annenberg Learner**: Model Science Lesson Plans for Grades 6-8 and Grades 9-12
  https://www.learner.org/resources/lessonplanbrowse.html?disciplines%5B%5D=SCI&page=1&per_page=20&query=

- **Brain POP**
  https://www.brainpop.com

- **EduTech**
  http://www.edutech.com/higher-education/steam-education/

- **Khan Academy**
  https://www.khanacademy.org
  *Click on “Courses” link (upper left on webpage) to access a list of their content and specific courses.

- **National Science Teachers Association**
  https://ngss.nsta.org/Classroom-Resources.aspx

- **Next Generation Science Standards**
  http://www.nextgenscience.org
http://www.nextgenscience.org/teachers

- **Oakland Schools**  

- **OpenEd Resources for Teachers** (resources aligned to NGSS)  
  https://www.opened.com

- **14 Books That Connect Students With Valuable Scientists’ Struggles**  
  https://ww2.kqed.org/mindshift/2016/05/26/14-books-that-connect-students-with-valuable-scientists-struggles/
Science Experts and Consultants

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Social Studies Curriculum Resources

SOCIAL STUDIES AND HISTORY STANDARDS
• UCLA and National Center for History in Schools
  http://www.nchs.ucla.edu/history-standards
• American Education Reaches Out/AERO

ELEMENTARY SOCIAL STUDIES CURRICULUM RESOURCES
• Annenberg Learner: Model Social Studies Lesson Plans for Grades K-2 and Grades 3-5
  https://www.learner.org/resources/lessonplanbrowse.html?disciplines%5B%5D=SS&page=1&per_page=20&query=
• Brain POP
  https://www.brainpop.com
• EngageNY
  https://www.engageny.org/ccss-library/?f[0]=field_subject%253Aparents_all%3A13896
  *Please note: Not all units will work for international school social studies needs as some are very U.S.-centered.
• Expeditionary Learning
  http://curriculum.eleducation.org/curriculum
• Khan Academy
  https://www.khanacademy.org
  *Click on “Courses” link (upper left on webpage) to access a list of their content and specific courses.
• Oakland Schools
• SEEDS of Science ~ University of California Berkeley
  http://scienceandliteracy.org/about/meetteam
  http://scienceandliteracy.org/units

• TCI (Additional information about TCI offered in the next pages)

• UCLA and National Center for History in Schools
  http://www.nchs.ucla.edu/resources

• World History for All of Us
  http://www.nchs.ucla.edu/resources/world-history-for-us-all
  http://worldhistoryforusall.sdsu.edu
  http://worldhistoryforusall.sdsu.edu/shared/sitemap.php
  http://worldhistoryforusall.sdsu.edu/shared/units.php

SECONDARY SOCIAL STUDIES CURRICULUM RESOURCES

• Annenberg Learner: Model Social Studies Lesson Plans for Grades 6-8 and Grades 9-12
  https://www.learner.org/resources/lessonplanbrowse.html?disciplines%5B%5D=SS&page=1&per_page=20&query=

• Oakland Schools

• Brain POP
  https://www.brainpop.com

• The Document-Based Questions Project
  https://www.dbqproject.com
• **Khan Academy**
  [https://www.khanacademy.org](https://www.khanacademy.org)
  *Click on “Courses” link (upper left on webpage) to access a list of their content and specific courses.

• **TCI**
  [https://www.teachtci.com](https://www.teachtci.com)
  [https://www.teachtci.com/social-studies/](https://www.teachtci.com/social-studies/)

• **UCLA and National Center for History in Schools**
  [http://www.nchs.ucla.edu/resources](http://www.nchs.ucla.edu/resources)

• **World History for All of Us**
  [http://www.nchs.ucla.edu/resources/world-history-for-us-all](http://www.nchs.ucla.edu/resources/world-history-for-us-all)
  [http://worldhistoryforusall.sdsu.edu](http://worldhistoryforusall.sdsu.edu)
  [http://worldhistoryforusall.sdsu.edu/shared/units.php](http://worldhistoryforusall.sdsu.edu/shared/units.php)

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How to Find Social Studies Texts for Students’ Learning and Reading
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1. **Read widely yourself.** Whether as a whole text or from an excerpt, the social studies texts you love can be rich wells of read alouds, independent reading, and collaborative study for your students. As a social studies teacher and coordinator/department chair, this is a habit which has served my husband well for over 38 years and one I adopted from him and absolutely love. Sharing our reading and the way we live our lives as social scientists and historians gives our teaching inviting energy and integrity.

2. **Contact your favorite librarian/s and book sellers.** They can offer all of us fantastic, up-to-date book and text recommendations. One of my “go to” support resources are the wonderful book shepherds of Booksource - [http://www.booksorce.com](http://www.booksorce.com). They are so supportive in researching and developing very specific lists of literature (nonfiction and fiction titles) to support your students’ social studies learning and your instruction. An additional link is offered in tip #5.

3. **Put out the “all call” to fellow international social studies teachers.** Ask them to share their social studies text sets and lists with you.

4. **Harvest short and spirited texts.** Brochures, song sheets, poems, one-page biographies, newspaper or magazine articles, photographs – Put a “box” on your desktop or office and collect a variety of social studies short and spirited texts over time. Ask your students, their parents, and your community to help you build social studies text sets by letting them know you are searching for a specific upcoming focus/topic.

   Social Studies for Kids - [http://www.socialstudiesforkids.com](http://www.socialstudiesforkids.com)

   Scholastic offers social studies magazines by grade levels - [http://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/category/subject/social-studies](http://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/category/subject/social-studies)


5. **Check out these websites and links:**
- National Council of Social Studies
  - http://www.socialstudies.org/resources/notable
- American Library Association
  - http://www.ala.org/search-results?as_q=social%20studies%20books
- Book Source
  - http://www.booksouce.com/Departments/Booksourse/Preschool-Grade-2/Social-Studies.aspx?CategoryBvin=973823f8-43f7-468f-b971-5cc47e8335a&SubCategoryBvin=d7ac8a36-c587-4b29-abb0-4b3cd0114a70
- The DBQ Project
  - http://www.dbqproject.com
- Children's Book Council
  - http://www.cbcbooks.org/notable-social-studies/
- Good Reads
  - https://www.goodreads.com/shelf/show/non-fiction-social-studies
- Barnes and Noble
  - http://www.barnesandnoble.com/b/books/kids/social-studies-kids/_/N-29Z8q8Zu5t
- National Association for the Education of Young Children/NAEYC
- The Reading Nook
  - http://www.thereadingnook.com/social_studies/
- Reading Rockets
  - Award winning books: These lists are often fantastic social studies compass texts - http://www.readingrockets.org/books/awardwinners
- Reading A-Z
  - https://www.readinga-z.com/content-area-reading/social-studies/
- Delightful Children's Book
  - 10 Authors for Elementary School Social Studies Teachers to Know - https://delightfulchildrensbooks.com/2013/08/22/social-studies-nonfiction-picture-books/
- Scholastic
- International Literacy Association
  - https://www.literacyworldwide.org/blog/literacy-daily/2016/02/01/best-social-studies-books-2015
- University of Delaware
6. **Professional books** often offer us meaningful advice about students’ social studies reading and profile compelling books lists. Here are a few for your consideration (I will add more titles over time.):

- **Building Literacy in Social Studies** by Donna Ogle, Ron Klemp, and Bill McBride
- **Teaching Reading in Social Studies, Science, and Math** by Laura Robb
- **Teaching Social Studies to English Language Learners**, 2nd Edition by Stephen J. Thornton and Bárbara C. Cruz
Curriculum Design Resources
UbD Stage 1 Resources to Nourish Thinking and Design: A Well of Curriculum Resources and Thinkers

Rubicon Atlas
https://www.rubicon.com/design-thinking-curriculum-development/
http://us3.campaign-archive2.com/?u=8bd02fb36cdda6f8aba7ce120&id=d1e35e6ccf

The Common Ground Collaborative
http://www.thecgcproject.org

Catching Readers ~ Commentary to chisel our curriculum thinking
https://catchingreaders.com/2017/01/09/fidelity-vs-thoughtfulness/

Curriculum Framer ~ Grant Wiggins
Edutopia ~ Collaborative Planning: Integrating Curricula Across Subjects

North East School Division ~ Melfort, SK, Canada
Assessment Tools and Resources:
http://curriculum.nesd.ca/Assessment/Pages/Understanding-Rubrics.aspx

Instructional Tools:
http://curriculum.nesd.ca/Instruction/Pages/Instructional-Tools.aspx
UbD Stage 2 Assessment Resources

Alberta Assessment Consortium

All Things Assessment
http://allthingsassessment.info
http://allthingsassessment.info/resources/

Columbia University Teachers College Reading and Writing Project
http://readingandwritingproject.org/resources/assessments/running-records

Edutopia
https://www.edutopia.org/blog/planning-best-curriculum-unit-ever-todd-finley

Michigan Assessment Literacy Standards
http://michiganassessmentconsortium.org/als/standards-for-teachers

Michigan Department of Education
http://www.michigan.gov/mde/0,4615,7-140-22709_55936---,00.html

Mentor Teaching Moves: Thinking about the “how” of data analysis (#T4TMOMENTS)
http://assessmentinperspective.com/?p=4241

North East School Division – Canada
http://curriculum.nesd.ca/Assessment/Pages/Understanding-Rubrics.aspx

Online Assessment Resources
Classkick
https://www.classkick.com
Please note: This is a new potential resource and still to be vetted. If you have used ClassKick, let us know if you think it is valuable and worthy to recommend. Thanks!

Potential Benefits: Advertised as “Unleash personalized, real-time feedback at the moment students need it.” Sign-up is free and students can log-in to view your feedback.

Edulastic
https://app.edulastic.com/login#dashboard/close

Please note: This is a new potential resource and still to be vetted. If you have used Edulastic, let us know if you think it is valuable and worthy to recommend. Thanks!

Potential Benefits: Interactive formative assessment; You can create assessment questions, including math-specific functionality, and it will automatically score results but in a SBG way. Sign-up is free.

Reviews: I'm in a 1:1 environment using Office 365 as well. I've also had experience with Edulastic. It's pretty good. Edulastic can write high level assessments well beyond multiple choice if you want. But the grading piece... I'd say use it for formative assessment if you'd like but I wouldn't recommend letting a computer dictate a student's level of proficiency on a 1-4 scale. That judgment should always include you, in my opinion. If you want to use Edulastic for summative purposes, then design the assessments and issue them to students ungraded or "graded" via Edulastic but the tolerances for 1-4 should be pre-established by you and the students. And don't establish those as a numerator over a denominator either.

GoFormative
http://goformative.com

Please note: This is a new potential resource and still to be vetted. If you have used GoFormative, let us know if you think it is valuable and worthy to recommend. Thanks!

Potential Benefits: Advertised as supportive to any grade, any subject, for and with any device; Their formative assessments can run on any Internet connected device and are optimized for any 1:1, BYOD, flipped or blended classroom.

Onenote
UbD Stage 3 Learning Plan Resources

The following resources are offered to especially support your collaborative UbD Stage 3 Learning Plans collaborations and your own lesson planning.

Cult of Pedagogy
https://www.cultofpedagogy.com/reciprocal-learning/
https://www.cultofpedagogy.com/concept-attainment/
*Note: These links for reciprocal learning and concept attainment will guide you to many other learning and teaching strategies.

Specific Program Resources/Links

College Board Advanced Placement/AP Professional Learning and Information Links
http://apcentral.collegeboard.com/InstitutesAndWorkshops
Lesson Planning Tools and Templates

Edutopia
https://www.edutopia.org/citizen-schools-lesson-worksheet-templates
https://www.edutopia.org/article/new-teachers-lesson-curriculum-planning-resources
https://www.edutopia.org/topic/lesson-plans

Teaching Channel
https://www.teachingchannel.org/blog/2014/02/06/lesson-planning-templates

Understanding by Design
Jay McTighe
https://jaymctighe.com/resources/

PROJECT-BASED LESSON PLANNING
https://www.edutopia.org/stw-project-based-learning-best-practices-resources-lesson-plans
Learning, Teaching, and Curriculum Experts and International Consultants

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Kevin Bartlett, The Common Ground Collaborative and Next Frontier Inclusion
kevin@thecgcproject.org
You can send your inquiries to members@thecgcproject.org

Gail Seay
gailseayconsulting@gmail.com
E-Learning Resources and Links

From E-Learning Industry [https://elearningindustry.com/top-elearning-resources-help-learn-anything-today-10]:
Here are 9 stellar online resources that you need to bookmark if you want to satiate the thirst of your knowledge in 2018 without leaving the comforts of your room:

1. Coursera
Boasting more than 1000 courses from the best universities in the world, Coursera is a mecca for digital learners. Coursera is also offering complete specializations for learners who wish to explore a subject in detail. On successful completion of courses, you get a certificate, which you can share on your LinkedIn profile as well. The only negative is that you cannot learn at your own pace as each course is accompanied by a limited time period.

2. edX
Akin to Coursera, edX also offers some great courses from the best universities around the globe, but they are not self-paced, entailing you to keep an eye on the timeline of your course. To facilitate students from different parts of the world, it incorporates a brilliant translation feature. You can choose from a wide range of subjects, such as biology, business, computer sciences, finance, economics, medicine, music, philosophy, and physics to name a few. You can easily access all the learning material and prepare for the exams.

3. YouTube
Yes, that is not a typo. There is more to YouTube than simply watching cat videos and music videos. YouTube is a great platform for learning new things. You can easily find tons of great educational videos on YouTube and all you need to do is to type what you want to learn in the search box and it will show you hundreds of pertinent results. Subscribe to some viable educational channels and stay tuned for the latest videos to help you develop a more ingrained comprehension of any subject.

3. Lynda
Probably the oldest and most popular resource on this list is Lynda. Founded in 1995, Lynda.com features thousands of online courses related to business, technology, design etc. You can also browse through their video tutorials taught by industry experts. What sets Lynda.com a notch up other online learning resources is their hands-on approach to learning, which not only makes it easier to learn anything but also makes it a breeze to implement what you are learning. One department where Lynda.com lags behind its
competitors is its mobile app. Lynda.com is mostly a paid platform for learners, which might prove to be a deal breaker for some as they will have to settle for few free courses.

4. **Udemy**
Whether you are offering SEO services or working as a web developer or designer for a web design agency, Udemy can help you take your skills to the next level. Quality of courses vary and so do the prices, which can sometimes land on the higher end of the spectrum. However, the great news is that it also offers some free courses. Its extensive language support makes it a great platform for students hailing from around the world. With more than 60,000 courses to choose from, you are spoilt for choices with [Udemy](https://www.udemy.com). Moreover, you can learn at your own pace, which gives you the freedom that digital learners are yearning for.

5. **Alison**
Be a part of a burgeoning community of more than 11 million learners, and learn from some of the best experts in the industry. Choose from a wide range of disciplines, including business, technology, marketing, health, humanities, mathematics, and science. For those who are interested in exploring the topic in detail, [Alison](https://www.alison.com) offers comprehensive diplomas that cover each topic in detail and help make you an expert in that particular domain.

6. **Khan Academy**
Khan Academy is a great platform for school and college students as it focuses on nurturing a strong foundation that they can build on and advance their careers. You can learn computing, science, mathematics, economics, and humanities at your own pace, thanks to its wide array of video tutorials. Binge on videos and attempt quizzes to gain an in-depth knowledge of a topic. Backed by Google, and Bill, and Melinda Gates, [Khan Academy](https://www.khanacademy.org) has now become one of the greatest learning platforms that many young students look up to.

7. **MIT Open Courseware**
Did you yearn to study at MIT but couldn’t realize your aspirations due to any reason? If so, the [MIT Open Courseware](https://ocw.mit.edu) is here to help you actualize your ambitions. More importantly, you don’t have to leave your home to learn from the leading MIT professors, and even better, without spending a dime. Not only is the website a great hit with students who wish to study at MIT, most MIT students also capitalize on this treasure trove of information for supplementing their course materials.

8. **Open Culture**
Upon landing on the website of [open culture](https://www.open culture.com), its scruffiness may leave you befuddled, but gratefully, it more than makes up for it with a number of useful resources. From online courses to audiobooks, movies, and eBooks, it is a repository of valuable knowledge. It also
keeps students in the loop about the forthcoming courses and touts enough content to keep you busy for years. All resources are neatly arranged into categories, making it easier to access the information you are looking for.

9. Open Yale Courses
Are you one of those students who cannot afford to pay the exorbitant fees of the top universities? If yes, then fret not since the most credible universities from around the globe are increasingly making their course material available for the benefit of the general public. Now, you can access all learning material from Yale without leaving the comforts of your room, thanks to the Open Yale Courses. These free courses from Yale can deliver a repertoire of knowledge that you will be grateful for.

Additional E-Learning Links and Wells of Resource can be found here:
*Helpful to note the pattern of recommendations offered by studying a few e-learning recommendation sites. Additionally, we are taking care to note sites which do not turn into electronic worksheet learning experiences. Please offer us your ideas and recommendations to engage students in edifying and meaningful e-learning.

Thank you!

Education Companies Offering Free Subscriptions Due to School Closings
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1NUKLZN7hGSu1Hzm70kfzBKs-lsSELaEMgsS0Bi2O2I/htmlview?fbclid=IwAR2eL69Jp_wljq2IVhRLt4siSWdOG-zg2ZjeK2Qrw4FNQNgw9YrZRvsIwGc&sle=true#gid=0

Global Online Academy
https://globalonlineacademy

Keri-Lee Beasley
https://spark.adobe.com/page/Y8Y1hObmi0qCA/

Kirsten Durward
Ask to join her Facebook group Educator Temporary School Closure for Online Learning

Lifehack
https://www.lifehack.org/articles/money/25-killer-sites-for-free-online-education.html

Slant
https://www.slant.co/topics/2167/~best-online-learning-resources

VHS Learning
https://vhslearning.org