

United States History to 1865

Supplemental Reading

Directions: In order to supplement the lecture material, the following books are recommended. Students should read each and prepare a five-paragraph essay on the book with a well-developed introduction and conclusion. The essay should include a summary of the author's arguments or a plot summary, what they learned from the book, and how it applies to the course.

Each essay should be submitted to the parent or facilitator according to the schedule below.

Suggested Reading:

Weeks 1-3: Hobson Woodward, *A Brave Vessel: The True Tale of the Castaways Who Rescued Jamestown*.

Weeks 4-6: Alexander Rose, *Washington's Spies: The Story of America's First Spy Ring*.

Weeks 7-9: Richard Beeman, *Plain, Honest Men: The Making of the American Constitution*.

Weeks 10-12: Stephen Ambrose, *Undaunted Courage: Meriwether Lewis, Thomas Jefferson, and the Opening of the American West*.

Weeks 13-15: Avery O. Craven, *Civil War in the Making*.

Weeks 16-18: James McPherson, *For Cause and Comrades: Why Men Fought in the Civil War*.