

Suggested Research Paper Topics – US History 1608-1900

Remember these are only suggestions. All research paper topics must be cleared with Mrs. Williams!

COLONIAL AMERICA

- John Hawkins (Pirate)
- Pocahontas
- Bacon's Rebellion
- "Blackberd" (Pirate)
- French & Indian War
- Bacon's Rebellion
- Ann Bonny (Pirate)
- Salem Witch Trials
- Native American Tribes (Mohawk, Iroquois)
- Benjamin Franklin
- Pontiacs Rebellion

AMERICAN REVOLUTION

- Molly Pitcher
- Thomas Jefferson
- Deborah Sampson
- Battle of Yorktown
- George Washington
- Sons of Liberty
- Battle of Trenton
- Valley Forge
- Benedict Arnold
- Boston Massacre
- Battle of Saratoga
- Nathan Hale
- Paul Revere
- Declaration of Independence
- Black Soldiers in the Revolution
- Boston Tea Party

NEW NATION

- Shays Rebellion
- Anti-Federalists
- The Star Spangled Banner
- The Missouri Compromise
- The Louisiana Purchase
- Sam Houston
- Los Nino's Heroes
- President Andrew Jackson
- General Vallejo
- The Compromise of 1850
- The Constitution
- Alexander Hamilton
- Battle of New Orleans
- The Issue of Slavery
- The Trail of Tears
- The Alamo
- The San Patricio's
- The California Gold Rush
- Antonio Lopez de Santa Ana
- The Transcontinental Railroad
- The Articles of Confederation
- Alexander Hamilton's Duel
- The Burning of Washington DC
- Lewis & Clark Expedition
- Texas War for Independence
- The War with Mexico
- President James Polk
- The Bear Flag Revolt
- The Cotton Gin
- Federalists
- War of 1812

SLAVERY & ABOLITIONISM

- Fredrick Douglas
- John Brown's Raid on Harpers Ferry
- Harriet Tubman
- _Dred Scott's Lawsuit
- Nat Turner's Revolt
- Slavery
- Harriet Beecher Stowe & Uncle Tom's Cabin
- The Underground Railroad
- Anti-Slavery Movement

THE CIVIL WAR

- Draft Riots in New York City (Gangs of New York)
- Civil War Medicine
- Jefferson Davis
- The 54th Massachusetts (GLORY)
- The Battle of Antietam
- The Surrender at Appomattox
- Monitor vs. Merrimac (1st Battle between steel warships)
- Life of a Union Soldier
- Reconstruction
- Women in the Civil War
- Clara Barton
- William Sherman
- The 69th New York (The Irish Brigade)
- The Battle of Fredricksburg
- The Emancipation Proclamation
- Mathew Brady (Photographer)
- Sharecropping
- Mary Todd Lincoln
- Abraham Lincoln
- Ulysses S. Grant
- George McClellan
- The 69th New York (The Irish Brigade)
- The Battle of Gettysburg
- Gettysburg Address
- Life of a Confederate Soldier
- Lincoln's Assassination
- Impeachment Trial of Johnson
- Robert E. Lee
- Stonewall Jackson
- Pres. Andrew Johnson
- John Wilkes Booth

IMMIGRATION

- Causes of Early Immigration to the United States
- Irish Immigrants
- Chinese Immigrants
- Russian Immigrants
- Italian Immigrants
- Eastern European Immigrants
- Japanese Immigrants
- The Chinese Exclusion Act
- Ellis Island
- Angel Island
- Immigration from Central & South America

CLASH OF CULTURES

- Sitting Bull
- Geronimo
- George Custer
- The Dawes Act
- Red Cloud
- The Long Walk of the Navajo
- The Buffalo
- Sand Creek Massacre
- The "Battle" of Wounded Knee
- The American Cowboy
- The Vaquero
- Cattle Industry
- Billy the Kid
- Jesse James
- The Exodusters
- Wild Bill Hickock
- William Jennings Bryant
- A Native American Tribe of Your Choice
- The Buffalo Soldiers
- The Battle of Little Bighorn
- Manifest Destiny

THE INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION

- Andrew Carnegie
- John D. Rockefeller
- JP Morgan
- The Haymarket Riot
- The "Muckrakers"
- Upton Sinclair's "The Jungle"
- The Homestead Strike
- The Triangle Factory Fire
- The Molly Maguire's
- Thomas Edison
- Alexander Graham Bell
- Samuel Gompers
- The American Federation of Labor
- Child Labor
- Eugen V. Debs
- Mary Harris Jones
- The Pullman Car Strike
- Women in the Industrial Revolution
- The Seneca Falls Convention (Women's Rights)
- The Women's Suffrage Movement
- Susan B. Anthony
- Coal/ Steel/ Meat Industry

AMERICA'S EMPIRE

- President Teddy Roosevelt
- The Assassination of Pres. William McKinley
- The Rough Riders
- The Spanish American War
- Cuba's Independence Movement
- Jose Marti
- The Panama Canal
- Yellow Journalism
- The Sinking of the USS Maine
- War in the Philippines
- Emilio Aguinaldo
- Queen Liliuokalani
- The Great White Fleet
- Hawaii Becomes a Territory
- Alaska Becomes a Territory
- Battle of San Juan Hill
- The Boxer Rebellion
- Mark Twain
- The Great Chicago Fire
- The Wright Brothers (Airplane)
- Booker T. Washington
- W.E.B. Du Bois
- Plessy vs. Ferguson
- Segregation
- "Trust Busting"
- NAACP
- Puerto Rico (US Protectorate)

Use these suggestions as a starting point for your research.
If it sounds somewhat interesting, look it up!

If you want to pick your own topic...great! Just make sure you clear it with Mrs. Williams.

Good Luck!