## **Using Primary Sources Staff Development Session**

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Grade Level: Teachers, grades 3-5

**Objective:** Teachers will become adept at accessing the resources of the Library of Congress by searching for sources and developing ideas for using the sources.

Setting: Computer lab

Participants: 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade teachers (12) divided by grade

## Agenda:

1. Introductory Activity

2. Overview of the Library of Congress: Video

3. Group Activity

4. Sharing Results

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## **Materials and Procedure:**

Grade	Curriculum Topic	Common Core Objectives	Primary Source
3	Quarter 2: How Cities Began and How They Grew	<b>3.B.1.d.</b> Describe how geographic characteristics of places and regions change over time and influence the way people live and work.	Baltimore Harbor 1903 <a href="http://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/2005691479/">http://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/2005691479/</a>
			Baltimore Harbor after the Fire – 1904 <a href="http://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/2007662243/">http://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/2007662243/</a>
			Baltimore Harbor 1912 <a href="http://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/2007662232/">http://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/2007662232/</a>
			Baltimore From Federal Hill 1830-40 <a href="http://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/98504708/">http://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/98504708/</a>
4	Quarter 3: Exploration 1400-1586; Age of Exploration; Spain's Empire in the Americas	<ul> <li>3.A.1.a Construct and interpret a variety of maps using map elements.</li> <li>3.C.1.e Identify the reason for the movement of peoples to, from and within the United States.</li> <li>2.A.1.d Compare the early cultures of the Native Americans with the European settlers and their influences on each other.</li> </ul>	Teacher's Guide: Historic Exploration in America <a href="http://www.loc.gov/teachers/classroommaterials/primarysourcesets/hispanic-exploration/pdf/teacher_guide.pdf">http://www.loc.gov/teachers/classroommaterials/primarysourcesets/hispanic-exploration/pdf/teacher_guide.pdf</a>

5	Quarter 2: Reading and Researching Like a Historian: Taking Perspective: American Road to Revolution	<ul><li>4.B.2 Describe the role of British government on the colonial economy.</li><li>5.C.1 Analyze the causes of the American Revolution.</li></ul>	Or Thomass Botton Journal On Thomas Botton Journal On Thomas Botton Journal On Thomas Botton Journal On Thomas Botton Jour
			Masthead of the Massachusetts Spy by Paul Revere – July 7, 1774 <a href="http://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/2002712180/">http://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/2002712180/</a>
			Bostonians Paying the Excise Man 1774
			http://www.loc.gov/pictures/item/2004673302/
			(from Primary Source sets in Teacher – Political Cartoons in US History)

Grade	Introductory Activity	Group Activity	Take-away
3	Gallery Walk – placing observations about the	Find other primary sources that can support lessons on	Pathfinder - Growth of Cities
	harbor; sequencing photos by time; guessing the events that happened at the time of the photos.	the growth of cities.	List of sources
4	Group reading of Encounter by Jane Yolen. Participants determine which materials in the Primary Source Set could be used to introduce/accompany the book.	Brainstorm list of ideas for use of other materials in the Primary Source Set.	Teacher's Guide: Primary Source Set: Hispanic Exploration in America <a href="http://www.loc.gov/teachers/classroommaterials/primarys-ourcesets/hispanic-exploration/">http://www.loc.gov/teachers/classroommaterials/primarys-ourcesets/hispanic-exploration/</a> List of ideas
5	Each graphic shows a different perspective. Participants will determine the perspective of the artist of each graphic and what they were trying to say.	Find other primary sources that can support lessons on the road to revolution	<ul> <li>Pathfinder – Road to Revolution</li> <li>List of sources</li> </ul>