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http://www.pbs.org/independentlens/newamericans/foreducators\_index.html

# teachinghistory.org

"Teachinghistory.org is designed to help K–12 history teacher's access resources and materials to improve U.S. history education in the classroom. With funding from the U.S. Department of Education, the Center for History and New Media (CHNM) has created Teachinghistory.org with the goal of making history content, teaching strategies, resources, and research accessible." http://teachinghistory.org/

# Thinkfinity

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http://www.thinkfinity.org/community/thinkfinity-resources

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