



# Social Studies Nonfiction Leveled Readers

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## GRADE 5

| Title   | Unit | Level            | GRL |
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| <b><i>Cuauhtémoc, the Last Aztec Emperor</i></b><br>Follow the story of Cuauhtémoc, the emperor who fought to regain the Aztec's capital rather than surrender its treasures.   | 1    | Below            | P   |
| <b><i>Sports of the First Americans</i></b><br>Learn about Native American ball games in the U.S. Southwest and Mexico.   | 1    | On               | T   |
| <b><i>Glaciers</i></b><br>How glaciers covered North America during the last Ice Age and helped create many physical features of American geography.  | 1    | Above            | V   |
| <b><i>Cuauhtémoc</i></b>  | 1    | Language Support |     |
| <b><i>The Lost Colony of Roanoke</i></b><br>The story of English settlers who failed to create a permanent settlement at Roanoke, Virginia.   | 2    | Below            | P   |
| <b><i>DuSable – Chicago's First Citizen</i></b><br>Travel with DuSable to the Great Lakes where he lived among the Potawatomi and fought for the Americans in the Revolution.   | 2    | On               | T   |
| <b><i>The Travels of Alvar Nunez Cebeza de Vaca</i></b><br>Follow Alvar Nunez Cebeza de Vaca as his attitude of conquest and prejudice changes during his encounters with American Indians.   | 2    | Above            | V   |
| <b><i>The Roanoke Colony</i></b>  | 2    | Language Support |     |
| <b><i>The Salem Witch Trials</i></b><br>In the late 1600s the town of Salem, Massachusetts, experienced a wave of accusation against townspeople believed of practicing witchcraft.   | 3    | Below            | P   |
| <b><i>John Peter Zenger and Freedom of the Press</i></b><br>John Peter Zenger went on trial not just for his own freedom, but for everyone's when he fought for freedom of the press.   | 3    | On               | T   |
| <b><i>Free Black Communities in the Time of Slavery</i></b><br>Discover how some African Americans became free and established settlements prior to abolition.  | 3    | Above            | V   |
| <b><i>Trials in Salem</i></b>   | 3    | Language Support |     |
| <b><i>The Constitutional Convention</i></b><br>The desire for a stronger national government compelled some of our nation's most important figures to compromise for the writing of the Constitution.                               | 4    | Below            | P   |
| <b><i>George Rogers Clark and the American Revolution in the Midwest</i></b><br>In 1778, a young explorer from Virginia volunteered to lead forces against the British to defend American land in what is now Illinois and Indiana. | 4    | On               | T   |

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| <b><i>Abigail Adams, Patriot</i></b><br>Abigail Adams was not just a great First Lady but also a spokesperson for all women during the Revolution who ran their homes, farms, and families without help, extra supplies, or money. | 4 | Above            | V |
| <b><i>The Constitution</i></b>   | 4 | Language Support |   |
| <b><i>The Journeys of Sojourner Truth</i></b><br>Sojourner Truth made the long journey from slavery to freedom and continued her fight for women's rights while preaching the power of God.  | 5 | Below            | P |
| <b><i>Letters From a Mill Town</i></b><br>Susannah works at a textile mill in Lowell, MA, in 1840 when conditions remained dangerous and girls were underpaid.   | 5 | On               | T |
| <b><i>The Comstock Lode</i></b><br>In 1859 what may have been the biggest mineral strike in history was made in the Sierra NevadaS, the Comstock Silver Lode.  | 5 | Above            | V |
| <b><i>Sojourner Truth</i></b>  | 5 | Language Support |   |
| <b><i>Robert E. Lee</i></b><br>Biography of General Lee, who fought for the U.S. in the Mexican War, yet chose Virginia over the Union in 1860 and faced the defeat of the Confederacy.  | 6 | Below            | P |
| <b><i>The Surrender at Appomattox</i></b><br>The Surrender at Appomattox ended the Civil War, the bloodiest war in American history.   | 6 | On               | T |
| <b><i>Freedom Fighters: The Massachusetts 54<sup>th</sup> Regiment</i></b><br>Follow the first African American regiment in the Union Army as they attack Fort Wagner and change peoples' minds about black soldiers.              | 6 | Above            | V |
| <b><i>General Robert E. Lee</i></b>  | 6 | Language Support |   |
| <b><i>A Nation of Nations</i></b><br>A story of three children and their families (of varying ethnic descent) who immigrate to the United States in the late 1800s.  | 7 | Below            | P |
| <b><i>The Pullman Strikes</i></b><br>In 1894 workers at the Pullman Company organized against unfair employers and started American workers on the road to safety, fair representation, and civil rights.                          | 7 | On               | T |
| <b><i>Geronimo</i></b><br>Learn about Geronimo the famous Apache chief who persistently campaigned against the settlement of whites in the American Southwest.   | 7 | Above            | V |
| <b><i>A Nation of Immigrants</i></b>   | 7 | Language Support |   |
| <b><i>The Battle of Leyte</i></b><br>The Americans and Japanese waged the largest air-sea battle in history over the island of Leyte.  | 8 | Below            | P |
| <b><i>Hiram Fong, Hawaii's First Senator</i></b><br>When Hiram Fong was elected as Hawaii's first senator in 1959, he was the first Chinese American to hold office in Congress.   | 8 | On               | T |

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| <b><i>The Negro Leagues of Baseball</i></b><br>Story of how Jim Crow laws unsuccessfully attempted to alienate African Americans from baseball.   | 8 | Above            | V |
| <b><i>A Sea Battle</i></b>  | 8 | Language Support |   |
| <b><i>The 1980s</i></b><br>Using a timeline, the major events of the 1980s are highlighted including the eruption of Mount St. Helens, the release of hostages in Iran, and the assassination of Indira Gandhi. | 9 | Below            | P |
| <b><i>Wired World: A Short History of the Internet</i></b><br>Follow the development of the world's fastest growing global connection from DARPA to the World Wide Web.   | 9 | On               | T |
| <b><i>Dolores Huerta, Civil Rights Leader</i></b><br>Biography of Huerta, from her life among farm workers to her work with Cesar Chavez.   | 9 | Above            | V |
| <b><i>Important Years: The 1980s</i></b>  | 9 | Language Support |   |

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