



Family Newsletter for Unit 3

Moving to Michigan

Learn About It

In this unit, your child will learn:

- about the creation of the Michigan Territory and its role in the War of 1812
- how the Michigan Territory became a state and its role in the Civil War

Here are some ways that you can help your child learn:

Talk About It

Chapter 5: The Michigan Territory

Organizing western lands Before Michigan became a state, it was part of the Northwest Territory. Discuss the process that led to Michigan becoming a separate territory.

Chapter 6: Michigan Becomes a State

Statehood and conflict More than 20 years after Michigan became a state, the Civil War began. Discuss how different opinions about the southern way of life led to this conflict and why Michigan opposed the opinions held by the South.

Make It

Interview questions Work with your child to create interview questions for different leaders of the Civil War era. Suggest such leaders as Elizabeth Chandler, Sojourner Truth, General Robert E. Lee, and General Ulysses S. Grant. The questions should require each leader to explain his or her point of view regarding slavery.

Read to Learn More About It

If You Lived At The Time Of The Civil War, by Kay Moore. Describes conditions for the civilians in both North and South during and immediately after the war.

The Civil War for Kids: A History With 21 Activities, by Janis Herbert. A look at the Civil War using group activities to show the contributions of women, African Americans, and children during the war.



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